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Christmas Bazaar. St. Matthias Church Hall, Foul Bay, Thursday, December 5, 2.30. Interesting gifts, novelties and tea. ***

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Lecture and Discussion Club, Monday, December 2, 8.15 p.m. Y.W.C.A. Subject, "The Bonaparte Family." Speaker, Madame A. B. Vivenot. Admission 35c. students 25c. ***

Major John Heiden Gillespie, Chapter, I.O.D.E., winner of dressed doll No. 172. ***

Overseas League Annual Meeting — Monday, December 2, at 3 p.m. Empress Hotel. ***

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Rummage Sale — Wednesday, December 4, at 735 Pandora Avenue, Daughters of Nile. Doors open 8.30 a.m. ***

Spencer's W.A. dance, Tuesday, December 3, in the Chamber of Commerce. Dancing 9 to 1 to Len Acres orchestra. Tickets 50c each. Proceeds for the purchase of wool for war work. ***

The annual meeting of Women's Conservative Association will be held Thursday, December 3, at 8 p.m., 104 Union Building. ***

Wool Ball, lower lounge, Empire Hotel, Thursday, December 5. Proceeds Royal Blue Chapter, I.O.D.E., wool fund. Tickets \$2 couple, obtainable from hotel or E 3787. ***

Women's Canadian Club, Empire Hotel, Tuesday, December 3, at 2.45. Speaker, Richard Finnie. Subject, "Canada's Golden North." Soloist, Miss Dorothy Parsons. Membership fees due. Show new card at door. ***

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Bremen Naval Shipyard Blasted

R.A.F. Bombers Again Rake Cologne

LONDON (CP)—For the third successive night Royal Air Force bombers centred their attack on Cologne, important industrial centre and inland port in western Germany, last night.

(Five German aircraft were shot down over Britain yesterday. Two British planes were lost.)

Anti-spy Moves In U.S. Widened

WASHINGTON (AP)—Methods evolved by Britain for fighting espionage and sabotage under wartime conditions are being studied by the Federal Bureau of Investigation for guidance in tightening the peace-time defenses against foreign agents in the German navy.

On the invasion coast, Boulogne and Le Havre were bombed, while a number of enemy-occupied airfields were attacked.

No British planes were lost in all these operations.

A two-man mission was sent to Britain several weeks ago, it was learned today.

BERLIN (AP) The German high command's communiqué to day said:

"In addition to a small factory again hit, several houses were damaged; two persons seriously and several slightly wounded in attacks by British planes in northern and western Germany last night.

"Four enemy planes were shot



BOMBED THREE TIMES IN THREE NIGHTS—This picture indicates how close to Cologne Cathedral British bombs have been raining down. In their great attack on Wednesday night heavy R.A.F. bombers concentrated for two hours on the network of railway lines on both sides of the Hohenzollern Bridge, shown at the left.

Italians at Porto Edda Reported Cut Off

Greeks Drive Toward Albania Coast

ATHENS (AP) — The Greek high command reported new gains today in the drive north of Konispolis toward Porto Edda, Albania, where some Italian forces were believed cut off from retreat by Greek operations farther north around the embattled Fascist base at Argyrocastro.

The high command said the advances put Greek troops in command of new positions "at various parts of the front"—especially north of Konispolis.

Two Italian cannon, large numbers of automatic guns and many prisoners were reported taken.

The high command's communiqué made no specific mention of the operations at Argyrocastro (which the Italians said still was held by their troops), or north of Pogradetz, at the opposite end of the battlefield (where Italian reports said their reinforced troops were counter attacking).

Enemy Submarine Sunk by Greeks

The Greek destroyer Aetos was reported to have sunk an Italian submarine by depth bombing after the submarine had fired two torpedoes at a convoy. The torpedoes missed.

A Home Security Ministry communiqué today said:

"Enemy aviation yesterday bombed."

"Argostoli, Cephalonia, no casualties slight damage; St. John's Church destroyed."

"Levaks and rural districts in Xanthe, no damage or casualties."

"The number of casualties among the civilian population as

drawn their armies from China within two years after the fighting ends, "with the exception of troops stationed in accordance with the treaty."

The Nanking government pledged to compensate Japan for damages to Japanese rights and interests "suffered because of the China incident." Details of such reparations were left to be worked out later.

The Wang puppet government was set up March 29, 1940, under Japanese auspices in opposition to the Chiang government, whose guerrilla forces apparently were responsible for dynamiting a Japanese-operated train bound for Nanking yesterday. Between 100 and 400 passengers were reported killed or injured.

Chiang Kai-shek ignored a "last exhortation" sent him by the puppet government asking him to declare an armistice with Japan. The Chunksk spokesman has declared a fight to the end with Japan.

The way was left clear, however, for continued Japanese military action against Chiang's troops still battling for the interior in their 41st month of resistance.

'Sovereignty' Mentioned

Japanese reports said the articles and protocol of the treaty provided principally:

1. Mutual respect for sovereignty of Japanese and Chinese territories;

2. Political, economic and cultural co-operation;

3. Joint defence against Communism, and the elimination of Communist elements, saying specifically that "Japan, in order to carry out defence against Communist activities shall station the required forces in specified areas of Mengchian and north China for the necessary duration";

4. Specific permission for Japan to station naval units in China.

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SHANGHAI (AP) — With Oriental ceremony, Nanking's Japanese-created government signed a pact for peace today with Japan while Gen. Chiang Kai-shek's Chunksk forces were reported fighting on determinedly in provinces purportedly covered by the new Nanking-Tokyo treaty.

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5. Chinese co-operation in giving Japan all necessary facilities for development of economic resources and promotion of trade with Japan; Japanese financial aid in rehabilitating Chinese economy.

No More Claims, Say Japanese

6. Japanese renunciation of any further territorial claims in China and restoration of China's former concessions, China allowing freedom of entry and residence to Japanese subjects.

The Japanese were said to have agreed in the protocol to withdraw

a result of enemy raids during the first month of the war, between October 28 and November 28, as follows:

"About 604 dead. Of these 274 were women, 120 children and 32 babies."

"Wounded—1,070, of whom 425 were women, 147 children and 58 babies."

"About 1,200 houses wrecked in towns and villages; houses in danger of collapsing and therefore uninhabitable are numerous."

"Six schools were hit by bombs, also seven hospitals, four clinics, one prison, one lunatic asylum and nine churches."

Italians Tell of Counter-attacks

ROME (AP) An Italian high command communiqué today said:

"Enemy aviation yesterday bombed."

"On the Greek front, our troops tenaciously opposed enemy attacks, and at some points launched effective local counter-attacks. The Ferrera division and Guida cavalry regiments deserve particular mention."

"Two air squadrons were employed all day long in bombard-

ments with explosive and shrapnel bombs and in machine-gunning objectives connected with operations under way on the Greek-Albanian front. Military works, highway junctions, troop concentrations and enemy lines were repeatedly hammered with direct hits. Troop detachments were effectively machine-gunned at Pollicani. Encampments of motor vehicles attacked from a low altitude were effectively hit on roads west of Sajada."

"Three of our bombing planes were attacked over Shkere by nine enemy Gloster planes. One enemy plane was shot down after a lively fight. All of our planes returned to their bases. During air battle November 27, three enemy Gloster planes and one Blenheim were shot down by our fighters. The crew of the Blenheim were taken prisoners. Three of our planes failed to return."

"An R.A.F. communiqué issued in Athens yesterday said in the last two days 10 Italian aircraft were destroyed in south western Albania, with a loss of two British machines."

of long-established rights of equal and fair treatment which are legally and justly theirs."

No Quick Turnover

Japanese Admit

TOKYO (AP)—Yakichiro Suma, Japanese foreign office spokesman, today said the Tokyo-Nanking "peace pact" would make no immediate change in the military situation in China.

"We sincerely hope," he said, "that the Chunksk government will realize the futility of resistance and join and co-operate with the Nanking government."

A.R.P. ACTIVITIES

Oak Bay Wardens, District 1B, met on Wednesday in the Municipal Hall, under District Warden W. R. Riddington. About 35 present. Chief Constable H. Weston of Oak Bay lectured on "Police Work and Its Relationship to the A.R.P. Wardens' duties in case of emergency." He emphasized the close collaboration and co-operation necessary between the wardens and the police. It was decided that the members that a first aid class commence immediately after the New Year. The next regular meeting will be on December 11.

Now that a number of the districts are completing their first aid instruction, examinations will be held. Lecture courses on anti-gas will follow. A central meeting place is being arranged, so that wardens from all parts of the Metropolitan Area can assemble once a week to carry on with practices and lectures.

R. M. Barnes of Cadboro Bay, one of the St. John Ambulance Brigade instructors, has offered his services as A.R.P. instructor. He is a man of great experience, came to Canada in 1912, was with the 50th Battalion overseas as sergeant, sent to the Canadian School of Physical Training at Shorncliffe Camp, was in France with the P.P.C.L.I. Later became company sergeant-major.

The secretary referred newsmen to what he called a basic statement made by him to the press on last March 30.

At that time Mr. Hull asserted:

"The setting up of a new (Wang) regime at Nanking has the appearance of a further step in a program of one country by armed force to impose its will upon a neighboring country."

"The developments there," the statement continued, "appear to be following the pattern of other regimes and systems which have been set up in China under the aegis of an outside power and which in their functioning especially favor the interests of that outside power and deny to nations of the United States and

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Plagiarism Charged

LOS ANGELES (AP)—An 80-year-old songwriter charges composer Irving Berlin, singer Kate Smith and others associated with the song "God Bless America" with plagiarism.

Alfred H. Aarons, in an action filed in federal court yesterday, claims portions of his song, "America, My Home So Fair," copyrighted in 1918, were used without his consent in the song composed by Berlin and recently popularized by Miss Smith.

Aarons asks the court to fix the amount of damages, which he estimates at several hundred thousand dollars.

Liverpool Again Attacked

London Conquers Fires After Night Raid

LONDON (CP)—London mothers and babies escaped when the maternity ward of a London hospital was hit last night as German raiders concentrated on the capital for the first time in 10 days.

There were more than 30 persons in the ward, but only slight injuries were reported, although beds were flung on them and debris almost buried them.

Towns in southern England suffered heavily last night, with six killed in one town, several injured and much property damage. (German sources claimed about 400 tons of explosives and 36 tons of incendiaries were dropped on London during the night, in a "large-scale attack." Secondary raids were said to have been directed against Plymouth, while Italian fliers were said to have attacked Ipswich.)

The London night attack continued until 2 a.m. For the second night, a mys-

WIDE CENSORSHIP DEBATE IN BRITAIN

LONDON (CP)—Censorship is a principal editorial topic in the British press as a result of discussion of the problem by Information Ministry officials and United States correspondents.

In a meeting here Information Minister Alfred Duff Cooper said that security and winning the war were more important than censorship.

Reviewing the past fortnight—marked, as he said, by improvement of the Mediterranean situation and Greek resistance with British aid—Mr. Duff Cooper expressed concern over the "press" the British cause is getting in the United States.

The chief press censor, C. J. Radcliffe, said that opinions were not censored.

A writer in the London Star said he would "court unpopularity."

by saying that some of our American colleagues seem to have let understandable irritation (over censorship) unduly dominate their thoughts about our war prospects."

MAJORITY FRIENDS

SYDNEY (CP)—Australian naval authorities said today the enemy raider reported to have sunk 67,000 tons of shipping in the South Pacific and Indian Oceans is a 6,000-ton motorship armed with torpedo tubes and four four-inch guns.

Survivors of two of the raider's victims, the merchantmen Port of Brisbane and Maimoa, described the raider as having a raked stem, a cruiser stern and squat funnels and searchlights, leading them to believe she was a modern motorship.

The British press has explained that the German bomb "on the beam" radio guidance from the Channel ports and that information giving the location of any particular bomb hit would facilitate "beam correction" just as artillery aim is corrected by observation.

Canada Gets 144 Warplanes

LOS ANGELES (AP)—A contract under which Sweden was to get 144 military combat planes from the Vultee Aircraft Corporation has been assumed by Canada.

"The original contract was with Sweden, but because of export difficulties it was impossible to carry out the contract," a Vultee spokesman said. The planes will be delivered to Canada and the United States government will issue the export license."

The planes are single-seaters with single motors, and are heavily armored. They are in production, but Vultee officials said they could not estimate when the order would be completed.

WANTS RELIEF STAFF CUT DOWN IN B.C.

Although relief rolls in British Columbia have gone down 50 per cent in the last year, the administrative staff has increased from 142 to 149 persons, Samuel Guthrie, C.C.F., Cowichan-Newcastle, charged in the Legislature last night.

"And you say you are practicing economy?" he asked. "This doesn't look like it to me."

Mr. Guthrie said employment of two men in the government employment office at Nanaimo was a waste of money because few men were placed in jobs through the service.

Mr. Pearson said that with relief rolls lower, relief officials were able to pay more attention to individual cases and seek jobs for them and otherwise improve their position. He said the administrative staff was actually smaller than it had been but the reduction had not kept pace with the drop in relief rolls.

Harvard Students Want No War

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP)—A group of Harvard students marched to the office of president James Bryant Conant with a petition registering their opposition to "participation in this war."

The petition said also that the signers wished to "emphasize President Conant's statement that he was speaking only as a private citizen in his declaration of war, and not as a representative of Harvard University."

The petition came as an after-mail to an address by Dr. Conant last week, in which he was quoted as saying "If we desire to see the Axis powers defeated, then it is only a matter of strategy when, if ever, material aid must be supplemented by naval and military aid."

Closer Watch On Poisons Urged

VANCOUVER (CP)—Stricter enforcement of regulations governing sale of poisons and ingredients of poison gases is urged as a wartime measure by the Council of the Pharmaceutical Association of British Columbia, which held a three-day meeting here this week.

Under wartime conditions the ease with which poisons can be obtained constitutes a serious menace to the general safety of the Dominion, members contend. Figures presented to delegates showed that sales of poisons in druggists' shops, under regulations requiring signing of a poison register and identification of the purchaser, represent only a mere fraction of the actual total poison sales.

It said lesser raids were carried out virtually to the four corners of the island kingdom and mentioned Liverpool, focus of the air attacks the night before, as visited again. However, it said, neither casualties nor damage were heavy.

Reports were current, too, that Blenheim bombers refitted as fighters and equipped with an "ear" for detecting hostile planes were having increased success intercepting night raiders. This week's bag of German planes was said unofficially to have boosted Nazi losses over and around Britain to 3,000 since the war started.

Some British sources attributed the severity of the raid on London to a German hope that the capital's anti-aircraft defences had been weakened to rush guns to hard-pressed cities in the Midlands and northwest.

If the Nazis entertained such thoughts they must have been unpleasantly surprised by the curtain of steel that greeted them, these sources added.

No Attempts At Formations

Abandoning formation flying, the raiders approached London from various directions and dropped flares, flare bombs and high explosive bombs.

London rooftop machine gun-

ners fired intermittently at para-chute flares which fell in brilliant pairs, giving to the skyline the appearance of a sinister midway.

A suburban shopping centre, hospital and movie theatre were among structures hit by bombs.

In one London district German planes roared over at the rate of

two a minute.

A mother and her two children were killed when six bombs demolished a housing development in a southeastern coastal town. Six were known dead and others injured in a district near London.

A bomb from a single plane killed one man in an East Anglia town and injured three.

Germans Say Storehouses Hit

BERLIN (AP)—Saturday's German high command communiqué stated:

"The night before last and last night, London again was the target of the air force's retaliatory attacks. Large fires on

the Victoria Docks as well as in Bristol, Portsmouth and Southampton, also were bombed.

"(A British communiqué said many fires were caused but few were serious.)"

"Strong combat plane units, in rolling night attacks, bombed with a large number of the heaviest

calibre bombs military objectives in Liverpool as well as dock facilities in opposite Birkenhead.

Tremendous explosions and conflagrations in extensive store-houses lit up the night.

"Important objectives in Scotland as well as in the south of England and the Midlands, including objectives in Birmingham,

On the afternoon of November 29, long-distance firing batteries of the army continued, according to plan, destruction of military establish-

ments on the coast around Dover with considerable success.

Army and navy long range bat-

taries shelled steamers in a convoy of vessels at the eastern exit of

the Channel."

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Teach Obedience

VICHY (AP)—Georges Rupert, minister of public instruction in the Petain-Laval government, has announced that France's educational system will be shaped so as to introduce "corporate authority" and "accustom children to obedience."

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66th ANNUAL REPORT

General Manager's Address to the Shareholders

The 66th Annual Meeting of Shareholders was held at the Head Office, Toronto, on November 27th. Mr. H. T. Jaffray, General Manager, addressed the Meeting.

GENERAL MANAGER'S ADDRESS

When it was my privilege to address you a year ago in connection with the Bank's affairs Canada had been at War for something less than three months. During the year just ended your Directors and the Management have felt that it was essential to keep the affairs of the Bank in a very liquid condition, not only in the interests of its shareholders and depositors, but, in order that it should be ready to meet any calls that might be made upon it in connection with Canada's War Effort. As we examine the Balance Sheet I think you will agree that the policy we decided upon has been carried out, but it did not lend itself to substantially increased earnings, and I am glad, therefore, to be able to report that after payment of taxes of \$487,882.50 an increase as compared with a year ago of \$182,000, and after payment of the usual contributions to the Pension and Guarantee Funds amounting to \$101,583.96 and after full provision for bad and doubtful debts, Net Profits were \$861,017.67—an amount only \$6,240.66 less than a year ago.

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Sixty-six Today

PRIME MINISTER WINSTON CHURCHILL is 66 years old today. From every part of the decent world felicitations will go to him. We in Canada hope and pray that he will be spared to see the victory for which he is giving all he has and is. We hope the next year will not be so heavily laden with toil and tears and sweat, that the indomitable courage of the British people will be rewarded by an easier time, by more distinct signs of the inevitable doom awaiting the men who are gloating over the human and material wreckage they have caused and are causing. It is a great strain to which the British Prime Minister is constantly being subjected. But he is made of the right stuff. It is the bulldog in him that will pull him through. Hats off to him this day!

It Could Happen Here

ATTORNEY-GENERAL WISMER MADE one startling statement in the Legislature on Thursday night which the people of this province might do well to ponder. He said that for every 1,000 miles of territory only one member of the British Columbia Police force was available. The chief law officer was defending his request for a vote of \$10,000 to support the voluntary organization which is discharging duties closely associated with the preservation of the general safety of the domain. Here, indeed, was an item in the budget which might have been increased by reduction of some other appropriation by a like amount.

When the Attorney-General launched his internal security plan for British Columbia last July his sole concern was the protection of life and property against such activities as unexpected developments might produce. He had carefully studied information in his possession which revealed to him the approximate number of guns of various types thought to be in the hands of aliens. With little or no difficulty he obtained the co-operation of the government at Ottawa under which a scheme for the registration of such firearms promptly took shape. As the public is well aware, of course, Mr. Wismer appealed to the veterans' organizations of the province to assist him and his police officers in the operation of machinery the law permitted him to set up under certain appropriate Dominion and provincial orders-in-council. The response was instantaneous; it provided an opportunity for loyal citizens well over the military age to do something of a practical nature, to make a useful contribution to the country's war effort.

The "force" which Mr. Wismer has seen grow from a few hundreds will eventually expand into one of probably 20,000 volunteer workers—every one fully seized with the importance of the duties for which he has been "recruited." It was natural the Attorney-General hesitated to reveal to the Legislature all the details of the organization—what has come to light since the registration of firearms has been completed or the precise nature of safeguards considered essential to effect if full value of the information obtained is to be realized.

What the public might remember, however, is that the realities of these times emphasize how careful every citizen should be to avoid a lapse into that state of mind which nurtures the belief that "It Can't Happen Here." If the people of Denmark, Norway, Holland, and Belgium—near the scene and naturally apprehensive because they understood the Nazi outlook and philosophy—had prepared themselves against the machinations of the dangerous elements in their midst, the whole course of recent European history might have run differently. It has been the unexpected that has happened in many cases since September 3, 1939.

Yet the Attorney-General did not get a vote of \$10,000 through the Legislature for his internal security plan's maintenance and expansion without at least some objection. And, we repeat, there is only one member of the British Columbia Police on duty for every 1,000 square miles of this province's area of 366,255!

The "New Order"

DURING THE LAST FEW DAYS THE Romanians have witnessed samples of the "new order" which Hitler dangles as bait for Germany's neighbors to embrace the axis. The "demonstration" began when Premier General Ion Antonescu opened the gates of the strongest prison in Bucharest to permit his own or the Nazi Gestapo to seize former opponents of the Iron Guard, and slaughter them with that expedition for which totalitarian gentry are famed.

The Romanian dictator, of course, did not admit he was a party to the "incident"—that is not the way of vassal Premiers—but it will be noted that he led today's funeral procession as it paraded the gold coffin of the Iron Guard's "martyred captain," Cornelius Zelos Codreanu—exhumed for state burial to serve as another form of reminder to the populace of the arrival of the "new order."

To mark their jubilant feelings, their genuine appreciation that peace is about to descend upon the newly-reduced puppet state

—the peace which is "based on justice"—the gangsters of Berlin and Rome were represented at this orgy by two highly-placed Nazis and two Fascist dignitaries.

This day's business in the once proud Rumanian capital, in a country in which vicious crime in recent years has been notably conspicuous for its infrequency, is a fair sample of the state of mind to which Hitler and his lackey of Rome have been reduced. It is again typical of Teuton stupidity—the Teuton mentality which seeks to glorify horror, as if by the process the majority of the peoples of the world are to be won over to the totalitarian concept of modern progress. But, tortuous though the way may be, of course, these fantastic spectacles help to spell the eventual blackout of Nazism and Fascism.

Back-door Business

THE INFORMATION THAT BRITAIN AS well as the United States embargoes exports of gasoline and scrap iron to Japan has just been repeated in answer to a question in the British House of Commons. According to the New York newspaper PM, this has failed to soften the news that British and United States owned firms are to ship from the Dutch East Indies to Japan a vastly increased volume of oil. The annual shipments are to be increased up to 70 per cent of the average annual shipments from United States ports to Japan. This makes Japan less dependent on North American oil.

Samuel Grafton in the New York Post protests that "it is to be doubted whether this information makes a night in the subways pass more quickly" for the men and women of England seeking shelter there.

Erika Mann's description of this type of appeasement is recalled: "When the house is afire, toss a couple of mattresses to the flames to appease their hunger."

Captain Torkild Reiber was forced by public opinion last summer to resign from the Texas Oil Company when it was revealed that he was dealing with Nazi agents. PM urges that public opinion should deal just as harshly with those arranging appearance of the Nazi ally in the Orient, namely, the Standard Vacuum Oil Company and the Rising Sun Petroleum Company among others.

First, because the Chinese people are fighting for what we are; second, Dutch oil shipped to Japan by British and American firms is now being used indirectly and may at any moment be used directly against British and American peoples and their interests.

Fantastic

JAPAN HAS HAD A LITTLE FUN ON ITS own today. At long last, but not without some misgivings, the men of Tokyo have decided they really ought to trust Wang Ching Wei, and close the deal with their own creation—the puppet government at Nanking. So from now on the Japanese will consider themselves at "peace" with the China they will try to think can be influenced by their tool.

Nothing in history is quite so fantastic as this day's ceremonial. The whole business, of course, is for the benefit of a greatly disillusioned Japanese people who are murmuring at home. They want to know where the victory is, the victory, with great booty, which was to be theirs in a few months, not a few years.

Today's palaver would not be so ludicrous if Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek had shown the slightest signs of weakening in his determination to fight on until the invaders are thrown back to their own land or sue for peace themselves. As the weeks pass, moreover, this piece of "new order" at Nanking will probably be laughed out of court by those who are subservient to the renegade Wang Ching Wei.

A culinary counsel for the women's pages suggests that pie can be made dramatic. We remember the type well, in the dear, dead days of Mack Sennett.

FUTILE AND HARMFUL

From Vancouver Province

The buzz in the clubs and the chatter over the teacups concerning the fate of Commander Beard of H.M.C.S. Prince Robert has gone quite far enough, and for the sake of all concerned, Commander Beard himself, the service and the country, it had better cease.

Commander Beard, a gallant officer with a fine record, has been relieved of command, temporarily, it is hoped, on account of ill-health. It seems well established that the commander has not been in the best of health and that the strain of recent events connected with the capture of the German ship Weser has told upon him. The naval authorities, taking cognizance of these facts, are giving him a rest.

It is quite unnecessary to dig for further reasons or to suggest ulterior motives. Commander Beard belongs to a service which has a tradition of dealing fairly with its officers and men, and his case may safely be left to the minister and commander-in-chief.

Commander Beard himself would wish it so. So would the Canadian Navy. The Canadian Navy is making an excellent record for itself on both the Atlantic and Pacific. It has had its baptism of fire and has come through with flying colors. Canadians must remember this is wartime and leave the navy to do its job.

Parallel Thoughts

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Faith in an all-seeing and personal God elevates the soul, purifies the emotions.—Juan Valera.

Bruce Hutchison

SAFE IN THE SOIL

THE PUBLIC PRINTS show that the people of England are busy now preparing for the flower gardens of 1941. The Times carries long advertisements for flower seeds and a regular article of advice to gardeners.

Nothing more significant comes out of England in its agony than this devotion to the soil. These people are so attached to the soil of England, have worked it, planted it, watered it, reaped it for so many centuries that now they are willing to die for it without complaint.

But there is more to it than that even. The gardener is not as other men. You could, indeed, divide men roughly into two classes—those who delve in the soil and those who don't. The English are delvers, in great estates and in cottage gardens. Or if they live in London, they grow plants in the window and go out and revel in the public parks.

Gardening gives a man a sane view of life which no other hobby provides. It teaches him the rhythm of time, the importance of any current incident and the certain rebirth of life in the spring. A whole nation which has absorbed that lesson is indestructible. It knows that if bombs fall in December green things will sprout in March and will keep on sprouting long after Hitler belongs to the unfortunate ages. So long as England is reading seed catalogues in December have no doubt about the outcome of the war. These gardeners can never be driven from their soil.

FOUR IN A HUNDRED

DR. WEIR TELLS THE Legislature that four out of every hundred children now going innocently to school will wind up as lunatics with dementia praecox. This is cheerful news, which one would rather not know. It sets you to examining too closely the faces of children as you walk down the street. Which ones are thus doomed? It is better not to know.

I often wonder how men can face their kind at all when they have to carry in their heads at all times these hideous statistics. If Dr. Weir wanted to, he could show you, as he did a few years ago, how many in a hundred of our people will be infected with social diseases in the next 10 years and how many will perish of malnutrition. After you have studied all the figures for a while you feel there is only one sensible thing to do, and that is to go out and hang yourself before something worse happens to you.

What I can never understand, after reading the medical reports, is how so many people are still walking about our streets—apparently quite healthy and even with a glimmering of sanity shining through their dementia praecox.

The wise man will ignore the statistics altogether, for if you pay any attention to them you know you have no real chance of escaping something pretty bad. No man who knows the figures will risk driving an automobile or going in an airplane or kissing a girl. And the final statistic, which Dr. Weir doesn't quote, is 100 per cent foolproof and inescapable. Not four in a hundred but the whole hundred are going to die. Let that sink in for a moment. And once it has sunk, forget about it and stop worrying or you will certainly add a fifth to Dr. Weir's four.

JOHN BULL'S PURSE

THERE SEEMS TO BE A LOT of disagreement about Britain's financial needs. Lord Lothian says the Old Country is getting short of American money and will need help soon. Mr. H. V. Kaitenborn, one of the most reliable commentators in the business, says Britain still has enough American money or securities to last more than another year at the present rate of purchasing. The New York Times runs an editorial declaring that things are getting serious and a news article by its financial editor declaring that Britain still has plenty of funds on hand. It is very confusing.

In Washington they all told me that Britain needed money it would be loaned by the U.S.A. But there are two conditions that must be fulfilled. First, Britain must demonstrate that it can withstand the German attack, so that the Americans won't be sending their supplies over there and weakening themselves uselessly. This has been demonstrated. The second condition is that Britain must actually need financial help. Apparently that has not yet been demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Americans.

CONFUSION

MEMBERS of the Canadian government ought to get together before they make their speeches.

A day or two after Colonel Ralston has said in Parliament that we were faced with a skilled labor shortage and the compulsory military training plan might have to be altered to relieve it, Mr. Gardner takes microphone in hand and declares there is no labor shortage and everything is swell.

And no sooner has Mr. MacKinnon warned Parliament that we face a huge and disastrous wheat surplus than Mr. Gardner springs up to say that there will be no surplus (assuming that the war and the blockade are over in two years).

Out here all the provincial politicians insist that the provincial budget cannot be reduced on any account, and then Mr. Hart slips into a Victoria Liberal Association meeting and announces that any sacrifice asked by the federal government will be made.

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Elmore Philpott

GANGSTERS SPLIT?

We will never be able to unravel the mystery of the recent comings and goings by Hitler until the war is over. But the picture is clearing sufficiently to indicate that the inevitable split between Hitler and Mussolini may not be long postponed.

There are only a few explanations of the Italian debacle in Greece. Without detracting in any way from the magnificence of the Greek military victory, it is obvious that there was no real co-operation between the two gangster leaders in this adventure. My first guess was that Hitler had coerced Mussolini into making the first move to forestall any tendency there might have been by the Italians to hold back—and that Hitler would later on try to crash through to the Mediterranean through Bulgaria and Macedonia. But an increasing volume of evidence suggests that there was no such plan.

The answer, therefore, is that in this respect at least Mussolini has got his own way and Hitler is letting him pay the price.

Some sources which have been generally accurate in the past suggest that Mussolini has already done everything that he can effectively do for Hitler. In the near future Hitler has got to turn east and south for oil. He has already done in the west exactly what he said he was going to do in his book "Mein Kampf." That is, he has completely destroyed military power of France. What Hitler wants now above everything else is peace. If he cannot get complete peace he will gladly take a partial peace, the net effect of which would be to protect his rear/against effective British attack.

I expect, therefore, that when Hitler is trying to bribe or beat Russia into coming to terms with him about reaching the oil fields of the near east, that he will make a desperate effort to secure a truce in the west.

In many circles close to the Vichy government I hear of talk of a Catholic plan for a three-nation line up which would include France, Italy and Spain. This may be just talk, but it seems to me to have the ring of probability, because it would be to the interest both of Hitler and of those Latin nations now dominated by Hitler.

No British government with a shred of common sense would be a party to any such plan. Our one chance of beating Hitler is to hang bulldogs to the economic blockade and the advantages conferred by sea power. We must be free to strike at Hitler and Germany when the time comes, wherever it is possible to do so.

A NOBLE WOMAN'S FAREWELL

Mme. V. E. Kraus Fessel, suffering from an incurable affliction, died here last weekend. She was a member of one of Prussia's oldest landed families. A woman of brilliant intellect and wide cultural attainments, she was first welfare minister in the cabinet under the Weimar republic. She came to Victoria with a band of refugees two years ago, forced to flee Germany and the Gestapo because of her outspoken opposition to the Nazis at the time of their entry into Austria.

On her deathbed she left the following letter:

"My Dear Canadian Friends:
"If I would not be doomed anyway I would not have thought of ending my life but of building up a new life. As you perhaps know, I was not tired of life or of my task in life. But fate cuts through the thread."

"To all of you who have been kind to me, welcomed me in the new country and were helpful, my thanks.

"Be helpful to those foreigners in this country, 'aliens,' still struggling for the building up of a new life. It helps a great lot on a new and hard way."

"So my thanks to all of you and my farewell."

"META KRAUS FESSEL."

Better English

By D. C. WILLIAMS

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "It is not as large as we thought."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "viscounte?"
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Secede, succeed, proceed.
4. What does the word "re-spite" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with t that means "lasting for a time only?"

Answers

1. Say, "It is not so large as we thought." Use so after a negative.
2. Pronounce vi-sis-tud.
3. Secede.
4. Postponement; a delay. (Pronounce res-pit, e as in less). "A moment's respite was granted to them."
5. Temporary.

Traveling Libraries

Mrs. E. W. Hamber, as the guest of the Public Library Commission, yesterday visited the traveling libraries department in the Parliament Buildings. Mrs. Hamber has shown particular interest in the children's libraries, towards which she recently made a handsome contribution in order to provide in greater quantity some of the more attractive and expensive books especially dear to the hearts of the younger children.

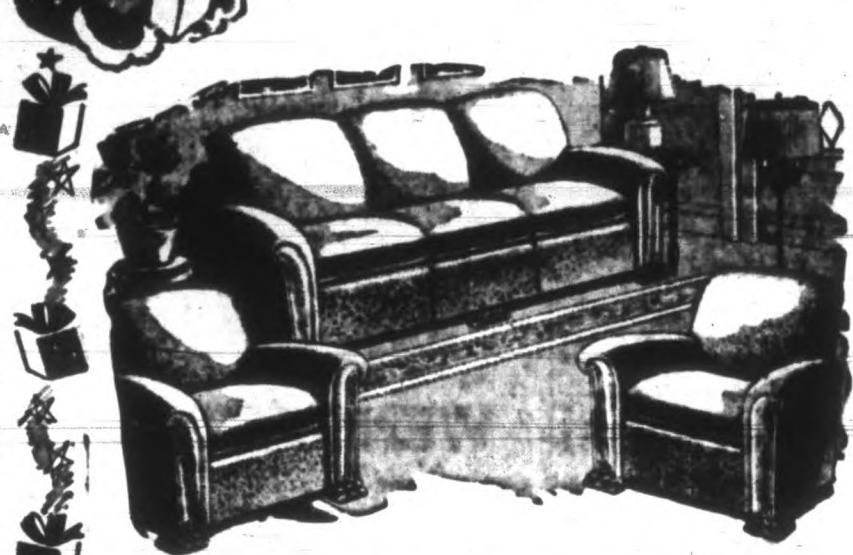
Particular interest centred in the type of school and community library served by the traveling libraries and in the wide range of books supplied to people old and young, who otherwise would have little or no access to good modern literature. The children's books, supplied in boxes of about 606 volumes to one-room schools throughout the province, are not school textbooks, or reference books, but comprises the full range of modern juvenile literature, from picture-books to science, history, and the best class of story-books; in other words, a cross-section of what is to be found in the most up-to-date public library.

Behind all these manoeuvres the basic truth is that Mussolini has already done everything that he can effectively do for Hitler. In the near future Hitler has got to turn east and south for oil. He has already done in the west exactly what he said he was going to do in his book "Mein Kampf." That is, he has completely destroyed military power of France. What Hitler wants now above everything else is peace. If he cannot get complete peace he will gladly take a partial peace, the net effect of which would be to protect his rear/against effective British attack.

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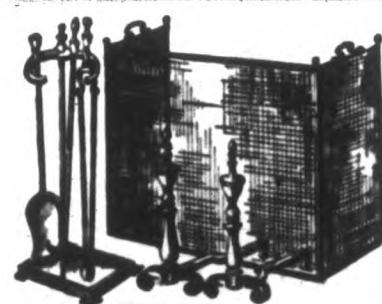
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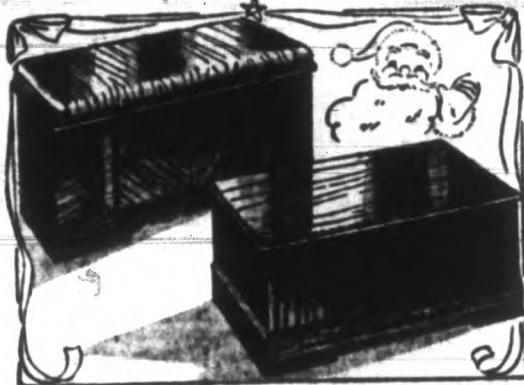
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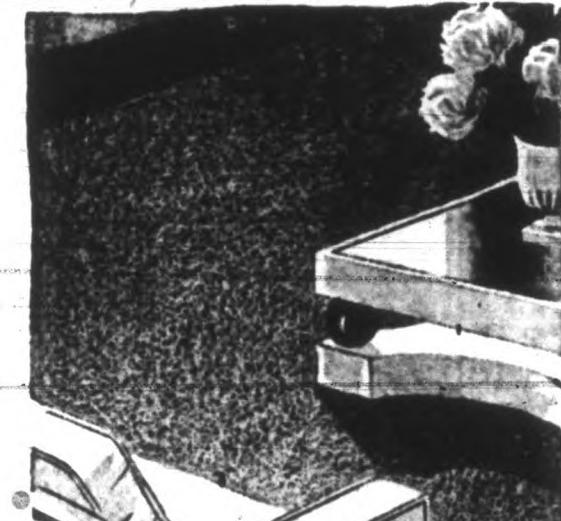
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Mr. and Mrs. Peter Campbell celebrated their golden wedding at their home, East Road, Sidney, on Wednesday. Many friends from Victoria as well as Sidney district called to offer their felicitations to the popular couple.

They were married at Aberfoyle Church, Scotland, 50 years ago, the bride being Ann McDonald Munroe. They have two sons, and three daughters, all born in Canada; Mrs. Grace Molloy Chicago; Mrs. Kate McLeod, Sidney; Mrs. Annie Hammatt, Victoria; Harry, Vancouver, and Thomas, Los Angeles, also 10 grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell have resided in Victoria over 30 years, he being employed at the shipyard. He is a member of Masonic Lodge No. 2, Vancouver and Quadra, being a life member of Camosun Lodge, Victoria.

Lectures for Nurses

The private duty section of the Victoria Graduate Nurses' Association is arranging a course of lectures to cover a four-month period. The first of these lectures will be one by Dr. S. Janowsky on "New Drugs," to be given at the Jubilee Nurses' Home on Monday at 8 p.m.

All graduate nurses having activity membership in the Victoria Graduate Nurses' Association are cordially invited to attend. Information concerning activity membership may be obtained from the following: Miss E. Franks, Nurses' Registry, E. 5321; Mrs. J. H. Russell, president Jubilee Alumnae, G 5119; Miss M. Dixon, E 7328; Mrs. G. Rose, president, St. Joseph's Alumnae, E 7394.

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Municipal Chapter Hears Many Reports

Mrs. K. C. Symons, the regent, presided at the monthly meeting of Municipal Chapter, I.O.D.E., Thursday night at headquarters.

The members stood in silent tribute to the men who lost their lives in H.M.C.S. Margaree and other Canadian ships, also in memory of the late Lieut.-Gen. Sir Percy Lake.

It was reported that the Municipal Chapter standard had been carried at the Armistice Day service at the war memorial.

A member of the chapter offered to send copies of the local papers to the Debert Camp in Nova Scotia,

this decision being made after hearing a request from the Scotian Chapter, which is doing considerable work for the men in the camp.

A letter from her niece in England was read by Mrs. S. S. Barker, telling of wartime conditions in the Old Country. Mrs. F. F. Beckett read a letter from a bursary holder.

The sum of \$111.48 was realized by the I.O.D.E. taggers on poppy day. Mrs. A. H. C. Phipps being in charge of the chapter's corners.

Mrs. George Mellor read the child welfare report, and \$25 worth of babies' clothing, donated by a member, was displayed at the meeting, together with other clothing.

Mrs. Symons reported that the Navy League may renovate and furnish the old Union Club premises, at the corner of Douglas and Gordon Streets, as a sailors' club.

Mrs. C. W. Plum asked for donations for soldiers' graves' upkeep.

Mrs. Symons reported having attended a meeting of the Co-ordinating Council, at which Major-General R. O. Alexander had told of his plans for helping the service men in their social, religious and sports activities.

It was decided to vote a sum of money for a needy case which was brought to the chapter's attention by Mrs. J. Quinn. No meeting will be held in December.

'Apasco' Dance

The "Apasco" monthly dance will be held on December 6 in the Fraser Street Hall, Esquimalt, under the convenership of the R.C.A.C. Auxiliary. A good orchestra has been secured and the usual good prizes and refreshments will be in evidence. As the money from these efforts is used to provide comforts for the men of five units, and to assist the Esquimalt branch of the Red Cross, the support of the public is invited. Time of the dance is to 1 o'clock.

The bride wore a brown and gold ensemble with matching accessories and a spray of orchids.

Later Mr. and Mrs. Handley left by motor for a honeymoon up-island, the bride wearing a musk-raft coat over her wedding outfit.

On their return they will reside at 2220 Cook Street.

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TO VISIT IN EAST—Miss Zeta Clark, Trutch Street, who will leave on Monday to spend some time visiting in Montreal and in Nova Scotia. She will be accompanied as far as Vancouver by her mother, Mrs. George C. Clark.

Social and Personal

Mrs. C. V. Stockwell entertained a few friends at luncheon at her home, "Gibraltar," Island Highway, yesterday, the affair being arranged in honor of Mrs. E. W. Hamber.

Among those entertaining this evening before the Naval Frolics are Lieutenant-Commander and Mrs. Maurice Wood, who will take their guests to the show at the Royal Victoria Theatre.

Miss Mary Leith of the Royal Jubilee Hospital staff will leave tomorrow by Trans-Canada Airlines for Red Lake, Manitoba, to spend the Christmas season with her brother who lives on McKenzie Island.

Mrs. Robert A. Poulin, with her little son Robin, has arrived from Vancouver for the wedding of her brother, Mr. Jack Patterson, and Miss Victoria Cross next Wednesday, and is the guest of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. Smith Patterson, Esquimalt Road.

Mrs. Horatio Walker of Montreal, who has been the guest of Mrs. F. W. Hartley, Monterey Avenue, since her arrival in Victoria a couple of weeks ago, will take up her residence at The Angela for the remainder of the winter months.

Mrs. W. Mc. Moore of Vancouver arrived this afternoon to join his wife, who has been spending the last few days here with her mother, Mrs. Howard, Foul Bay Road, after visiting in Port Angeles with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Morse. Mr. and Mrs. Moore will return to Vancouver on Monday.

Mrs. C. R. McNeill of Vancouver came over to Victoria yesterday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Howard McNeill and Miss Berta Robertson of Vancouver joined her here today for the wedding of her daughter, Mrs. Florence Doreen Robertson, and Mr. James Reginald Scalpen, that will take place this evening. Mrs. McNeill is staying with Miss Robertson at the Caldwell Apartments, Coal Street.

Mrs. V. Tierney, Sinclair Road, Cadboro Bay, was hostess at the tea hour on Thursday afternoon. Mrs. J. G. Jones presided at the tea table, which was centred with a silver basket of yellow chrysanthemums and yellow tapers in silver candelabra. The invited guests were Miss M. King, Mrs. H. R. Taylor, Mrs. F. H. Partidge, Mrs. C. W. Wilson, Mrs. J. B. Grant, Mrs. M. Russell, Mrs. J. G. Jones, Mrs. D. G. Denby, Mrs. W. H. Sturrock, Mrs. J. M. Wetmore, Mrs. E. Gandy, Mrs. G. Hawkins, Mrs. R. H. Hall and Mrs. D. L. Whitney (Washington).

Mrs. E. D. Anderson and Mrs. E. A. Anderson entertained on Friday at the latter's home on Ober Avenue, at a miscellaneous shower in compliment to Miss Ruth Anderson, who will be married this month. Peach chrysanthemums decorated the room and the useful gifts were concealed in a pink and green miniature house. Upon her arrival the bride-elect was presented with a corsage bouquet of chrysanthemums. An evening of games was enjoyed, the prizes being won by Madames Miller, G. Anderson, Campbell, F. Appleby and Nellie Brown. A buffet supper was served later by the hostesses. The bride-elect cut the two-tier wedding cake. The invited guests were: Madames R. Lindsay, R. Campbell, F. Appleby Jr., R. Richards, G. Anderson, S. Anderson, S. Snyder, D. Pearce, T. McDonald, W. Miller, Misses Ruth Anderson, May Tull, Ruth Appleby, Wendie Perkins, Betty Remsey, Florence James, Nellie Brown, Isobel Nichols and Mrs. Nelson. To rent.

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Britannia 'Fragments' To Give Concert

W.A. Britannia branch No. 7,

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grand concert in the Chamber of

Commerce Monday evening at 8.

The artists will be the popular

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of Messrs. Alf. Adams, Doug-

Park, Bill Farmer, J. Matheson,

Geo. Todd and J. Holyoake, as-

sisted by Miss D. Finn, Miss M.

Jarvis, Miss E. Milne, Miss Jean

Adams, Master J. Shrimpton and

Mr. W. Pyman. Proceeds in aid

of benevolent and war work fund.

The Anne Wilson W.M.S. Aux-

iliary of First United Church will

hold its annual luncheon at the

home of Mrs. R. H. McDougall,

636 Newport Avenue Monday at

1. Mrs. O. A. Butters will be the

guest speaker. Members are re-

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plans for this meeting.

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Women to Launch 'Buckshee' Fund Here Soon

By E. L. F.

Little Gifts! Inexpensive suggestions from 50 cents to \$3.00 . . . hundreds of gift ideas that will be sure to please everyone. You'll find them at The English Gift Shop, 725 Yates Street. Do drop in here . . . it's an amazing little shop!

The Christmas season is more than a gift-buying season. It's the time to dress your best!

Festive Dresses! Fine soft wools and angora cloths in rose, blue, honey-beige or darker colors. Just unpacked at Mary Constance, 784 Fort Street. Marked from \$12.50. You'll want more than one of these!



Now's the time . . . to have that hat freshened up for the holiday season! A new bow . . . a bit of a feather . . . a wisp of veil . . . presto! A different effect and you'll feel like a million! Minnie Beveridge, 778 Fort Street, knows just how to do it!



For yourself! There's at least one Christmas present you should get . . . and that's skilled beauty service. For a merrier Christmas treat yourself now to a permanent, facial or manicure at Harper Method. Two salons . . . 1307 Douglas Street and 2548 Windsor Road.

For Luck! Give your gardening friend a mischievous-looking little garden gnome. It's sure to be appreciated! These fine terra cotta figures . . . all sizes and shapes . . . on display at The Pet Shop, 3412 Douglas Street. Other attractive garden ornaments here.

In the Mode! The true-blue Turquoise Matrix and its softer blue cut stones are very much in demand this season. Rings, earings and necklets of turquoise make delightful gifts. The Persian Arts and Crafts, 610 Fort Street, has many unusually attractive pieces. Inexpensive, too!



Discovered! The Rainbow Studio and Gift Shop is still going strong at a new address . . . 1051 Fort Street, just below Cook. A fine display of English Christmas cards here. Also pretty china and pottery.

The Loveliest Thing Around the Christmas Tree . . . will it be you?

It's Smart! It's Modern! It's Daring! . . . It's "Shocking" by Schiaparelli. Uniquely presented for Christmas from \$6.00 to \$50.00. At Modern Pharmacy Limited, 1327 Douglas Street. Note: Schiaparelli's newest perfume, "Sleeping," is worth more than a frivolous thought!



For "Sunday Best": Fitted, flared dresses and separate skirts . . . in turquois or solid colors . . . for wee girls to six years old. Smart little suits . . . serge, flannel and English broadcloths . . . for tiny lads to four years old. At Bird's Baby Nest, 1465 Douglas Street.

Ooh and Aah! A hooded house coat in softest duchess . . . blue or dusty rose with pink check trim . . . or in dashing Roman stripe with black. Zipped or wrap-around. Now as tomorrow . . . and only \$8.95 at Mac Neigh's, 390 Fort Street, at Quadra.

It's a Gift . . . the way the English Bakery, 742 Fort Street, have of making Christmas puddings and cakes. Luscious . . . dark . . . plenty of fruit and nuts! Order early . . . if you wish a particular size. Puddings, 40 cents a pound . . . Christmas cake, 40c, 65 cents . . . plain, 50 cents, and with almond paste only, 55 cents.

Sure to "Take"! Give a camera this Christmas and see the smile of happiness you'll receive. Scott Camera Craft Limited, 1015 Douglas Street, will help you choose just the right one . . . small or large . . . they have a complete display. Movie cameras, too . . . the modern idea in gift giving!

Gay Crowd at Saanich Ball



Approximately 700 dancers attended at the Agricultural Hall last night and acclaimed the Saanich charity ball, 1940 edition, the most outstanding ever held in the Saanich Hall.

Staged under the auspices of the Saanich Council, school board and police commission, the ball attracted both city and country folk. The hall was elaborately decorated with flags and bunting, and including an attractive farm scene behind the platform on which the orchestra was assembled. Groupings of foliage, grain and flowers were used to construct the scene. The Saanich coat of arms was prominently displayed.

Total profits from the dance will be devoted to charitable purposes, one-half being used for local charities and the remainder divided between the Red Cross and Lord Mayor's Fund.

SALUTES TO FORCES

Dancing was enjoyed from 9 to 2 in the morning, during which the orchestra played salutes to the Army, Navy and the Air Force. Novelty dances were enjoyed by the gay throng.

Midway through the dance, supper was served from the buffet tables in the dining room, featuring a very tasty chicken salad. Mrs. R. E. Nimmo was general convener of supper arrangements, assisted by Misses H. Elliott, C. McNab, M. Mackenzie, V. Freeman and Mr. R. Nimmo.

Mr. W. A. Greene, municipal clerk, was chairman of the gen-

Ask Stores Not to Stock Jap Oranges

A request that all members of the Committee for Medical Aid for China ask their grocers not to stock Japanese oranges this year was made as the result of a meeting of the executive held at the Headquarters a few days ago. It was reported that a letter had been received from the Vernon committee advising that all grocers in the Okanagan and the interior had agreed not to handle them and asking what Victoria and Vancouver were doing.

"Miss 1941," another of the dolls which have received such favorable comment, together with a separate wardrobe of a number of complete costumes, in the pockets of which are tucked tiny embroidered handkerchiefs, has been placed on display in the windows at 617 Broughton Street, as has a splendid camera of British make, donated for sale. Tickets for both of these, which will be sold before Christmas, may be obtained at the above address. Mrs. Hudson reported that \$100 had already been realized from the sale of Christmas cards and that a good supply of two woodcut designs were still available at the office. "Penny-a-meal" boxes yielded the sum of \$12.15.

The largest shipment of supplies yet sent went forward to Hong Kong this week. It consisted of 13 cases, including nine of clothing for refugees, two of sterilized bandages, one of hospital sundries and one of blankets. One of the cases contained a splendid collection of woolen made and gathered by the C.G.I.T. of the Metropolitan Church. Much satisfaction was expressed that the groups had again taken up this valuable work.

Empty shelves make necessary an appeal for old sheets, pillowcases, tablecloths, any clean white cotton, flannelette or linen, the lack of which has curtailed bandage-rolling this past month. Clean, warm clothes are also badly needed for refugees, but shoes and hats are not sent. The office is open daily from 2 to 5 and Wednesday and Thursday mornings.

BOYCOTT JAP ORANGES

Members of Cowichan Women's Institute pledged themselves at their meeting last Wednesday not to buy Japanese oranges this year. Their action is in line with a nation-wide boycott drive which women's organizations are sponsoring.

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WELCOMED IN CANADA—President Pierre Dupont of the independent Grand Duchy of Luxembourg paid a formal visit to Montreal city hall recently, where he was welcomed by Acting Mayor Edmond Hamelin. There he signed the Golden Book of distinguished visitors, right. At left, is the Grand Duchess Charlotte-Adeleide, an exile since the little country was overrun by German invaders.

VIVIEN LEIGH UNABLE TO APPEAR

True" (C. Teike); overture, "Oberon" (Weber); saxophone solo, "By the Waters of Minnetonka" (Lieurance); selection, "Nautical Moments" (Aubrey Winter; intermezzo, "In a Persian Market" (Ketelby), and march, "Semper Fidelis" (J. P. Sousa).

Amateur half-hour. The Red Triangle Concert Party, including Miss Sheila Conway, Catherine Craig, Elaine Basanta, Catherine Denniston, Barbara Dawson, James McVie, David Oldham, Frank Paudling, John Bray and Alec Hall.

The choruses, "Marching Along Together," "Maggie" and "Out of the Dust to You"; adagio dance, Clough School of Dancing; comedians, Bob and Fred; hand balancing; Scotch comedian, Joseph Dibble; tap dance, Shaw Dancing School; character comedian, A.

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Okell Defends City's Assessment

Written argument will be presented by N. W. Whittaker, K.C., for the appellant, and F. L. Shaw, city solicitor, for Victoria, on the appeal of Ambrose Dixon against the city's assessment of the Stobart-Pease building, Yates Street.

Evidence in the hearing was completed before Mr. Justice Fisher in Supreme Court Chambers yesterday and counsel were allowed until Wednesday next to present their argument in writing.

George A. Okell, city assessor-collector, occupied the witness box for the majority of yesterday's hearing. He explained the manner in which he had arrived at his assessment of the building in question. The property is valued for 1941 taxation purposes at \$87,290, including \$24,790 on land and \$62,500 on improvements.

It has been variously valued at \$35,000, \$40,000, \$90,000 and \$100,000 by different real estate agents.)

The Dixon appeal, Mr. Okell stated, was the first in his 12 years' experience as city assessor, from that block on Yates Street. There were no vacant lots nor untenanted buildings on the south side of Yates Street, between Douglas and Blanshard, he said, adding values there had been enhanced through the flow of business from Government Street to Douglas Street and up Yates Street.

TAXES CUT
During the period from 1936 to 1940, when the tax rate dropped from 45 to 40 mills, actual taxation on the property in question had declined from \$3.

249.40 to \$2,721.80, the assessor reported.

He arrived at his assessment on a basis of actual value which he computed from original costs, obsolescence, present value, rents, state of repair, potential value and value of the street.

He stated he would have considered net revenue from the building as an element in assessment. That point was questioned by Mr. Justice Fisher, who cited a well-known B.C. case, in which such a consideration was declared absurd by a trial judge, who held revenue might depend largely on the acumen of the proprietor or owner of premises in question.

D. A. S. McGregor, manager of the B.C. Insurance Underwriters' Association, stated that while co-insurance issued on a basis of 80 per cent coverage and amounting to \$50,000 would indicate a real value of \$62,500, such a value was not absolute, and could be challenged in the event of a fire.

'Face the Facts'

OTTAWA (CP) — Next speaker in the Sunday night series "Let's Face the Facts" over the National network of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation will be Lewis Mumford, noted American author and lecturer.

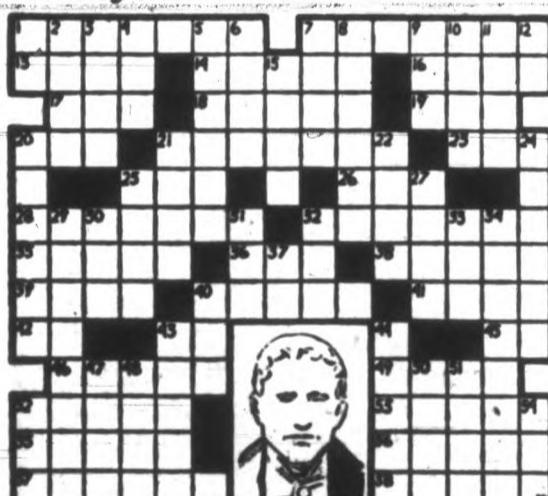
Mr. Mumford, speaking at the invitation of the Director of Public Information, G. H. Lash, will be heard tomorrow night at 4:30. He will speak from New York.

RECREATION CENTRE

SHAWNIGAN LAKE — Jerry Matheson, Vancouver, head instructor for B.C., is coming to Shawnigan to arrange the resumption of classes which, owing to difficulty in arranging dates, were stopped. Suitable dates have now been arranged and classes will start again December 4, when the men will begin at 7:30 and the ladies at 8:30. Allan White of Duncan will be the instructor.

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Today's Crossword Puzzle



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Boys' Shoes, sizes 4 to 6, cord soled. Regular 1.75.

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Many have tried these cord soles and found them exceptionally comfortable. They come in all sizes and grades, and will give your boy the protection from damp feet that is so important during the inter-season. Phone K-2111. Have the shoes called for and delivered. There's no extra charge for this service. Use your "Bay" Charge Account.

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Sailing Atlantic In Open Boat

'Wouldn't Have Missed It', Torpedoed Sailor Says

Experiences of 10 days in an open boat on the Atlantic are graphically described in a letter received by Mr. and Mrs. Herbert V. Lane, 1038 Pendergast Street, from their son Douglas, who was among the survivors of the torpedoed Canadian freighter St. Malo.

"It certainly was a marvelous experience and now that it is all over I don't mind it a bit—in fact I would not have missed it, although I would not be awfully fussy about going through it again," he writes cheerfully from hospital in Scotland.

"We had 10 days in an open lifeboat, living on biscuits and bully beef and condensed milk and water," he said.

Lane was getting ready for a bath when the torpedo hit—"a thing I'll never do again in the danger zone," he said. "It's lucky I had my shoes and socks on, so I just grabbed my coat and pants and lifejacket and hiked for the boats.

"Our port side lifeboat was blown to atoms when the torpedo hit, so that left us with only one boat, but plenty of life rafts. So we got our one boat launched, but it got swamped because of heavy seas. A few of us got into it and started bailing for dear life."

MET GERMANS

"We managed to pick up a few fellows who were swimming and then we saw Jerry come to the surface to see what kind of a job he had done, I guess, and we had to stop paddling, as we thought he was looking for the boats, so he could machine gun them. But he turned out to be a perfect gentleman, except for the torpedoing, which, after all, was his job, because, when he did locate us (it was a dark night and heavy seas running) he came alongside in the sub to give us one of our crew he had picked up swimming around, which was pretty decent of him. Then he asked us if there was anything we wanted and, of course, we could not ask for much, so we asked him for some cigarettes and matches, which he gave us willingly and believe it or not, they were English Woodbines. He talked perfect English and after awhile he let go our ropes, wished us good luck and away he went. So I guess there are still some good Germans left."

USED SEA ANCHOR

The lifeboat was then about 400 miles from the Scottish coast and the shipwrecked sailors put out their sea anchor to head the craft into the sea. Two days later they came across a lifeboat from another torpedoed ship. It took the St. Malo lifeboat in tow. There were 16 men in the St. Malo boat and 10 in the other. They sailed in that fashion for five days, and then decided to all get in one boat to make more speed.

"So we went on until the most



DOUGLAS LANE

welcome sight I have ever seen came on the horizon—a ship," Lane wrote. "It was still early morning and dark, so we lit one of our flares with one of our last two matches, but received no answer, so we took another chance and used our last match and happily the ship answered us. She was a rescue tug and believe me, the Queen Mary could not have looked better. We got on board the tug O.K. and found they already had survivors from four other ships—all told we came to 87. When the tug picked us up we had sailed more than 300 miles."

The tug took from Monday to Friday to land the survivors at a Scottish port. Lane went to hospital with eight others suffering from trench feet and he had a nasty wound on his right thigh, caused when something flying from the torpedo hit him.

Douglas told his parents he hoped to see his younger brother Maurice, who is "somewhere in England" with the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry.

Catholic Mission For Chinese Opened

The Holy Angels' Mission School, a Chinese Catholic kindergarten, was officially opened Thursday afternoon at 866 North Park Street.

Bishop J. C. Cody conducted the opening. There was a large audience of Catholic clergy and others interested in the work among Chinese.

Bishop Cody said that when it was realized what the Catholic Church had done for the Indians of British Columbia, the people would appreciate what was now



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Thousands of them . . . beautifully boxed . . . for every person, purse and purpose



It's hard to please everybody . . . but from this selection of lovely Handkerchiefs, you'll find gifts to please every woman on your Christmas lists! Give her, maybe one . . . maybe a dozen! Dainty little whisps of lace to slip into purse or pocket, or larger more practical sizes. There's a vast array, all the kind you can be proud to tuck into her Christmas stocking!

Fine Pure Irish Linen

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A variety of lovely designs on fine pure Irish linen . . . also extra fine opal cloth with embroidered borders. Three in a gift box.

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Pure Irish Linen . . . all-white with contrasting embroidery. Boxed for Christmas giving. Each 49c

BOXES OF 3 HANKIES

Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, especially fine quality, beautifully appliquéd and embroidered. Also opal cloth that's exquisitely fine and dainty. Boxes of 3 . . . 79c and 98c

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Moderately-priced Hankies to slip into stockings, in with other gifts, with cards . . . a pleasing way to remember a new friend!

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Neatly embroidered, contrasting colors . . . white and pastels; 3 in a box. Price . . .

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Dainty Hankies of pure Irish Linen with hand-rolled hems . . .

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Santa Says: COME AND SEE ME In Toyland

"I want to have a chat with all my little friends during my stay in 'The Bay's' Toyland. You can tell me all about what you'd like me to leave for you in my trip on Christmas Eve. After you have whispered your secret messages wander around the Toyland . . . see the many beautiful toys! I'll be in Toyland from 2 to 8 each afternoon except Wednesday. Be sure to come and see me."

Soldiers . . .

Sailors . . .

Airmen . . .

A SERVICE DEPOT



Has been opened at
"The Bay" for your
exclusive use!

If you're the type of man who can go through a day's drill better than choosing and wrapping a Christmas gift, you'll be interested in this new Service Depot on the Mezzanine Floor. Give us a list of your wishes . . . we'll shop for you, and wrap the gifts ready for mailing . . . If you want assistance while you shop yourself, one of our staff will go with you. For any part of the above service call at our "Service Depot" and forget your Christmas Shopping Worries! Of course, there's no charge for this Gift Wrapping and Shopping service to men in uniform!

—Mezzanine Floor at THE BAY.

Warm HOSE

For the "Darlings" on Your List . . .

For the darling aunts, or the gay young ones. Full-fashioned hose in white, blue and rayon . . . and hose are reasonable and acceptable gifts in fashion-right shades. Good-looking warm hose . . . made in Canada. Sizes 9 to 10½. Pair . . .

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Beautiful hose made by Orient that will give comfort on colder days. A gift that she'll appreciate . . . a box . . .

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Durable capeskin with fur tops or plain types . . . all fleeces lined. Brown, black and navy. Pair . . .

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being done on behalf of the Chinese, a deserving people who had striven to be good citizens of Canada.

The mission was established mainly through the efforts of the Sisters of Our Lady of the Angels who came to the city in the early part of this year.

Bishop Beneau of the Macken-

the Sisters.

Bishop Cody was introduced by Rev. Father W. J. Matte of the Scarborough Foreign Mission who was recalled from China to act as director of the mission.

Visitors to the opening inspected the mission premises which have been redecorated and refreshments were served by members of the Missionary Circle.

of the Little Flower, the table being attractively arranged with flowers and candles in silver holders.

Visitors were much interested in the display of Chinese art and curios arranged for the occasion.

U.S. Revenue May Rose

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Talk

as the goal for federal revenue collections in the next fiscal year was heard today in some administration quarters as President Roosevelt and his advisers studied means of increasing United States taxes.

The \$10,000,000 total, if achieved, would be the largest ever collected in peacetime, and would exceed the largest expendi-

tures in any peacetime year before the present defence program began.

Unofficial estimates are that the current year's spending will run about \$13,000,000,000 to \$13,500,000,000. Revenues are expected to approximate \$7,000,000,000.

In the next fiscal year, begin-

ning next July 1, officials expect a substantial increase in revenues even without new legislation because of better business and the fact some of the taxes levied recently will not be fully effective until then.

Classified Ads,
Get Results

Conn Winner

Adds Nothing To Prestige

Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

MEMBERS of Victoria's basketball commission are keeping their fingers crossed until tonight's game between the Dominos and Vancouver Tooke's is over. Reason—they are hoping for a much-improved crowd over recent attendances at intercity engagements at the Sports Centre. Last week-end's engagement between the Dominos and Seattle Savidges was expected to go over the top as a pleaser. It failed to attract nearly the anticipated crowd. As a matter of fact Savidges failed to draw as many people as Vancouver's Maple Leafs. And there is no comparison between the two teams in the question of cage class.

JACOBS SATISFIED

Promoter Mike Jacobs, even though he saw the fight and heard the boos presented Billy by the crown after it was over, refused to concede that his candidate had not furthered his campaign for a title shot. It was pointed out to him that Savidge was only a 187-pounder, and in appearance a trifle muscle-bound, whereas in Louis, Conn would be meeting a great, big, limber fellow.

"I thought he did all right," Mike insisted.

"He licked the guy, didn't he? "We'll be ready for Louis next June," chimed in Johnny Ray, who manages Conn. "Maybe we didn't look so good tonight, but we been having bolts up to six months ago."

In an effort to draw more people the commissioners stepped out this week and announced a reduction in the admission charge. They want to find out if the prices have anything to do with keeping the spectators away.

Lindsay further informed us that if Tookes fail to hit the jackpot tonight some changes will have to take place. "We cannot continue under the present conditions," he said. "The commission was responsible for patching up the differences between the Dominos and the Victoria and District League but we are not going into the hole over the staging of these games."

Regular senior men's league games at the Willows are not drawing enough to pay expenses. Despite the fact the commission adopted a new system, staging double-header senior attractions on Wednesday nights, the gate receipts have remained small. The games are just not drawing and the boys are beginning to wonder what's wrong. It begins to look like the people will not go out to the Willows to watch basketball, unless first-class attractions are offered, or else the game is losing its grip in this city.

Lester Patrick is not experiencing the good fortune of last year with his New York Rangers regarding injuries. In winning the Stanley Cup hockey experts claimed the Rangers got the breaks through keeping away from the injury jinx. Last season several of the blueshirts were forced out of the odd game or so through minor mishaps but there were no serious casualties.

Little Theatre Seeking Support

Although it is only a few weeks since the Victoria Little Theatre and Dramatic School held the formal opening of its newly-remodeled headquarters on Rockland Avenue, the little playhouse has witnessed much activity, beginning with the very successful run of the hilarious comedy, "Freddy Steps Out."

With His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. E. W. Hamber among the special guests at the inaugural performance, no less than five separate performances of the comedy were given for charitable and patriotic purposes, and nearly 1,000 soldiers, sailors and airmen were able to enjoy the play free of cost.

It is the announced intention of the directors to follow this policy with all plays produced throughout the season, and it is largely with a view to making this possible that a drive for new associate members is about to be launched by the organization.

An excellent and varied program covering the next six months has been arranged, and the committee is making a special point of letting intending members know that the membership fee carries the privilege of free admission to all productions at the Little Theatre during the season.

Following are some of the highlights of the program which has been drawn up:

December — Christmas party, dance, revue, one-act comedy, Christmas tree in aid of the Queen Alexandra Solarium.

January — Three-act drama, "Payment Deferred," under the direction of H. S. Hurn.

February — Comedy-melodrama, "The Drunkard," under the direction of Carroll Aitken.

April — Comedy, to be selected. This will be under the direction of Stewart Clark.

There will also be at least three evenings of one-act plays, and a special attraction on these nights will be the splendid Little Theatre Orchestra under the direction of Alfred Prescott, conductor of the Victoria Symphony Orchestra.

Military Orders 5TH (B.C.) COAST BRIGADE R.C.A. (N.P.A.M.)

Duties for week ending December 12: Orderly officer, 2nd Lieut. A. G. Brand, M.M.; orderly sergeant, Sgt. H. J. O'Neill; orderly trumpeter, Tpr. L. H. George.

Parades: Wednesday, in forts, 14.30 hrs.; Thursday, Woolen Mills, 20.00 hrs.; Saturday, in forts, 14.30 hrs.

Members of the 56th Battery detailed to parade Wednesdays at Albert Head will parade at Duntz Head instead, assembling outside the gates of Naval Dock yard at 14.20 hours.

2nd Lieut. F. C. Holden, 56th Heavy Battery, is detailed to perform the duties of unit intelligence officer, effective November 29.

VICTORIA TROOP, 1st SEARCH-LIGHT BATTERY, R.C.A. N.P.A.M.

Duties: Orderly officer, 2nd Lieut. R. A. B. Wootton; orderly sergeant, L. Sgt. A. S. McBride; orderly trumpeter, Tpr. D. Filewood.

Parades: Tuesday, 19.45 hrs., battery parade; Wednesday, 14.15 hrs., practical on diesels and searchlights; 19.30 hrs., machine gunners (only); Thursday, 19.45 hrs., at Bay Street Armories Friday, 19.45 hrs., battery parade; Saturday, 14.15 hrs., practical on diesels and searchlights.

The blind and frantic crusade for peace that swept through the world after the armistice of 1918 is the fundamental cause of the present European conflict—Dr. Frederick W. Beekman, dean American Cathedral in Paris.

Attractive Dancers at 'Naval Frolic'



Beverley Luff and Patsy Sparks, two charming Victoria youngsters, have come to the fore as a dance team of remarkable talent and versatility. They will appear in "The Naval Frolic," being given by the R.C.N. in the Royal Victoria Theatre this evening. One of their numbers will be their new and original "Tap and Scratch" dance, in which they wear costumes made of sandpaper. Proceeds of "The Naval Frolic" will aid the new Naval Recreation Club, which is designed to provide proper facilities for naval men in their leisure time.

Chief Urges Less Curb-hogging

With the Christmas shopping season underway, this week's message from Chief of Police John A. McLeish urges the motoring public not to be "curb-hogs" as there will be an ever-increasing demand for parking space by shoppers in the busy downtown blocks during the next three weeks or more.

The one and two-hour parking restrictions were intended to provide a more rapid turnover in parking space, but the chief points out that even with these restrictions great inconvenience to the shopping public could be caused by the thoughtless people who monopolize the downtown curb.

Continuing, the chief says: "The 'curb hog' is the least valuable of all motorists to the merchant. He drives into town to his office or his club; he has no further use for his car until he drives home at noon. He parks in a busy shopping block because it is most convenient for him. He knows he is safe for an hour. During that hour, four (possibly more) prospective shoppers look in vain for a parking space, and, not finding it, pass on. At the end of the hour, the 'curb hog' decides it is time to beat the law by moving his car a few feet. Having done so, he is safe for another hour, during which time more shoppers are prevented from parking.

"Or a woman telephones she is in a beauty shop and that her car is parked in a one-hour zone. She explains that she has been there 'just an hour' but that the hairdresser expects to be another 15 minutes. She wants immunity from the law because, as she puts it, 'you know how it is in a beauty shop.'

"Well, we know how it is outside the beauty shop. For an hour her car has deflected business from the block by preventing other motorists having access to the stores. It is no doubt thoughtlessness on her part, but, unless checked, the practice will continue.

"The solution, of course, is to park in an 'off-street,' or on a parking lot, if your business is likely to occupy more than a reasonable length of time. No one wants to be considered a 'curb hog,' or any other kind of hog for that matter."

RUGBY STAR IN ENGLAND

Pilot Officer Ian H. Acland, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Acland, Cowichan Bay Inn, who starred in recent seasons on the Victoria McKechnie Cup rugby team and the Revelers Canadian Rugby squad, has reached England, it was learned here today. The picture above was taken as the popular Victoria athlete walked through the depot at Toronto on his way overseas.

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CALGARY (CP) — Calgary officers of the Alberta Adj. to Gen de Gaulle, leader of Free French forces, have announced they will interview applicants for enlistment in the Free French navy. Volunteers will be trained at an overseas naval school.

Trained specialists, especially engineers, electricians and wireless operators aged 18 to 25 with a secondary school education are required.

VANCOUVER (CP) — Leo O'Dusenwsky, an enemy alien, was sentenced in police court yesterday to 30 days' imprisonment for failing to report regularly to Royal Canadian Mounted Police officials after registering with them.

They'll Do It Every Time



Letters From England

Time Bomb Seen To Be Secret Weapon

Since Coventry was showered with bombs H. W. Packwood has had no word from relatives living in that city, several of whom are employed in the munitions factory there.

Just prior to the main attack on Coventry by German bombers Mr. Packwood received a letter from his sister, Mrs. H. White, in which she described the nightly bombings:

"Each night at 7.40 the sirens start to sound, and they usually sound the all-clear signal at 11 p.m.," Mrs. Smith wrote. "Every minute we are dreading our turn next."

"The time bomb seems to be Germany's secret weapon. A few minutes after a raid I was talking to a man who had hidden under his stairway during the raid and a time bomb dropped two yards away from where he was

seeking protection. We could hear it ticking as it lay buried in the ground. Everyone in the neighborhood grabbed their clothes and whatever they could get their hands on and ran for shelter, or what there was of it."

"Many people near us have been killed, but a lot of them manage to escape, as the time bombs take a fortnight to go off. The men remove them to one end of the city and then let them off."

"Last week the soldiers came to the house and told us to leave all the doors and windows open so they wouldn't be smashed by the explosions. We like to hear the guns going off when the planes go over, but they are due for a hotter reception when they come back the next time."

Mr. Packwood also received a letter from his mother shortly before the main attack, telling of a

visit paid to the area by the King.

"After one of the raids the King visited us and told us we were a great people, and we told him that he was a great King," she wrote. "We can thank God for a good King and Queen."

Wants Leaves, Skins To Cover Totems

Louis LeBourdais, Liberal, Cariboo, poked a little innocent fun at Victoria's new Thunderbird Park, at the corner of Belleville and Douglas, in the Legislature yesterday.

He looked quite embarrassed, as, with gestures, he suggested that two totem poles should have some fig leaves or buckskins to cover their stark nakedness.

CHINESE MISSION

Today is being observed as a special missionary day in the Anglican Good Hope Mission with intercessions in the chapel. The Sacrament of Holy Baptism will be held at 8 this evening. Rev. Clarence Lee will speak in Chi-

THE WEATHER

VICTORIA, 5 a.m. today—Pressure has risen rapidly over British Columbia and this coast from westward. The weather has been cloudy and mild throughout this province. It continues cold in the prairie provinces.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.16; temperature, max. 51, min. 42; wind, 2 miles W.; precip., 0.01 in.

Vancouver—Barometer, 30.19; temper-

ature, max. 54, min. 38; wind, 2 miles E.; precip., 0.11 in.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.15;

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 30.14;

Dawson—Barometer, 30.13;

Portland—Barometer, 30.12;

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.11;

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.10;

Victoria, George—Barometer, 30.09;

Kelowna—Barometer, 30.08;

Penticton—Barometer, 30.07;

Vernon—Barometer, 30.06;

Kaled—Barometer, 30.05;

Calgary—Barometer, 30.04;

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.03;

Floyd—Barometer, 30.02;

Regina—Barometer, 30.01;

Winnipeg—Barometer, 30.00;

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St. John—Barometer, 30.00;

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HONOR MEMORY OF ST. ANDREW

The patron saint of Scotland was honored in traditional style last night at the annual St. Andrew's Day celebration by the St. Andrew's and Caledonian Society in the A.O.F. Hall.

A large number of people gathered in the hall to witness the program of Scottish airs, pipe selections and Highland dances. Many well-known local artists contributed to the evening's entertainment, one of them, Robert Morrison, making his 32nd consecutive appearance at the society's annual St. Andrew's Night.

Rev. John Turner gave a brief address on St. Andrew.

Artists taking part included: Miss Carol Menzies, Stanley Honeychurch, Mrs. J. H. Ratcliffe, John Bell, Miss Marion Mitchell, James Matheson, Mrs. C. A. Goodwin and Robert Morrison, vocalists; D. McFarlane, brass whistle; Bert Cartwright, violinist; Miss

Following the concert, refreshments were served and dancing of Scottish reels and quadrilles were enjoyed. The ceremonial grand march was led by Pipers Douglas Porteous and David Miller, 2nd Battalion, Canadian Scottish Regiment, C.A.S.F.

COLUMNIST TO SPEAK IN CITY

Marquis W. Childs, Washington correspondent of the St. Louis Post Dispatch and writer of the column "Washington Calling," will be in the city Tuesday to address the local branch of the Canadian Institute of Pacific Affairs.

On Monday, Mr. Childs will speak before the Vancouver Canadian Club on "America's Foreign Policy."

ST. MARY'S

Thirty Scouts and leaders attended the meeting of St. Mary's Troop on Friday evening which was opened by Duty Patrol Leader Norman Pickles. After inspection there was a period of drill and a lively game. Instruction was carried on by the patrols in their corners. After a few more games the meeting closed.

Traffic fines in City Police Court today amounted to \$35. Two motorists were fined \$10 each for speeding, two the same for having no driver's licenses and two for violating parking regulations.

Bill Herbert, former Victoria reporter, and Jack Peach and Basil Hinton, all members of the CBC's Vancouver staff, are in Victoria to handle the network presentation of "Naval Frolics" to be released tonight at 9.

TOMORROW NIGHT AT THE DOMINION HOTEL

Speaker will be D. K. Bell, Vancouver, newly appointed administrator of the British Columbia Pharmaceutical Association.

The Shantymen Association will hold a fellowship and welcome gathering in the Y.W.C.A. tonight at 8 p.m.

John L. Davey, who is en route to Martinique to represent the World-wide Evangelization Crusade, of which the late C. T. Studd was the founder: Lantern slides will be shown.

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Ward 4: Marigold Institute Hall.

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Many ships on the lakes today are making their last trips of the season. A survey by the Canadian Press shows a general movement of smaller vessels to the south and east and when they discharge their cargoes today they will be tied up for the winter.

Although official tonnage figures will not be available from the federal government until spring, estimates made yesterday indicated one of the busiest years in Great Lakes history. At Windsor navigation experts said the movement of vessels between the upper and lower lakes was not far behind the 1929 banner year. More than 20,000 ships passed through the Detroit River during the navigation season.

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Sea Cadets Active

VANCOUVER (CP)—Capt. E. Aikman, R.N.R., chairman of the Vancouver branch of the Navy League of Canada, last night told delegates at the annual meeting that the Sea Cadets Corps is now recruited to 128 boys who are being trained regularly at headquarters here. Nineteen sea cadets were placed at sea in various capacities during the year.

SHIPPING LOSSES

By the Canadian Press
Sinking of three British merchant ships totaling 17,267 tons was reported through neutral sources in the week ending November 29. Another British ship, the 9,430-ton Port Hobart, reported she was being shelled by a German raider 500 miles northeast of Puerto Rico, but her fate was unknown.

Another ship reported sunk during the week was the 1,500-ton Norwegian vessel Princess Ragnhild. The 5,135-ton Swedish freighter Anten was torpedoed 250 miles west of Ireland, but the last report was that she was "still floating."

The British Admiralty does not announce individual sinkings and therefore many do not become known publicly. Admiralty's latest summary, covering the week ending November 17, announced the sinking of 59,534 tons of British, allied and neutral shipping. This was 747 tons over the weekly average since the war began.

Vancouver Service For Lost Seamen

VANCOUVER (CP)—A commemorative service for Vancouver seamen who have lost their lives in the war will be held tomorrow at Christ Church Cathedral. Color parties of the Navy League of Canada will parade at the start of the service and place house flags of shipping lines serving Vancouver in the cathedral chancel.

PILOT'S STORY

VANCOUVER (CP)—Pilot Jack Haines, veteran Ginger Coote Airways flier, told here last night of a desperate race against rapidly spreading flames as he brought his burning plane down safely near Newcastle Island.

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Pilot's Coolness Saved Lives

NANAIMO, B.C. (CP)—Pilot Jack Haines' cool handling of a Ginger Coote Airways plane which burst into flames in mid-air was credited with saving the lives of five passengers bound from Vancouver to Tofino on Tuesday next, according to advices received today by Harry Douglas, general agent for the steamship company.

"Another five minutes in the air and there would not have been anything left," said Jack Steeves of Vancouver, one of three men burned badly enough to require hospital treatment here. Two other passengers and the pilot were able to return to Vancouver.

Steeves, making his first trip by air, said his partner, Fred Luditt of Zeballos, noticed a flame lick up inside the plane just as it was passing over Nanaimo at an altitude of about 3,500 feet. Haines immediately nosed the craft down towards the water while Luditt and Steeves beat ineffectively at the fire with their hands.

"When the plane began to swoop down the fire really got going and began to lick up the sides to the ceiling," Steeves said. "Pretty soon it was blazing away inside and we turned our backs."

It was hard to breathe inside the plane. The pilot landed so quickly and smoothly we didn't know it. When we scrambled out onto a float the water was just up to our knees."

Another Ginger Coote plane flown by Pilot Bob Goldie came to their assistance, landing and picking up Steeves, Luditt and William E. Parker of Vancouver. The latter was the most severely burned of the trio.

Another transportation visitor this week was Frank S. Elliott, traveling traffic agent, Union Pacific Railway, Seattle.

Around the Docks

TATUNO DUE WITH FREIGHT FROM JAPAN

Laden with 2,300 tons of freight for British Columbia discharge, the N.Y.K. freighter Tatuno Maru, bound from Japan for Vancouver, will reach William Head about noon on Tuesday next, according to advices received today by Harry Douglas, general agent for the steamship company.

The Tatuno Maru is preceding the new 18-knot freighter Sagara Maru, also assigned to the Japan-B.C. trade, which is listed to arrive here next Friday with Oriental cargo.

Agency Closed

J. F. Bahl, Chicago-Milwaukee assistant general passenger agent, Seattle, was in the city today in connection with the closing of the local agency and storage of the office equipment for the duration of the war.

Mr. Bahl explained that Eric F. Marshall, Victoria agent, had been called for active duty with his regiment, and for that reason the company had reluctantly decided to close down the office which has been maintained here for nearly 30 years.

Bruce Burpee Here

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Rescued Man Sang on His Raft

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No Rallying Power

NEW YORK (AP)—Rallying difficulties continued in today's stock market. Fractional advances were marked up.

Among stocks drawing support were U.S. Steel, Bethlehem, Youngstown Sheet, Republic Steel, Chrysler, Douglas Aircraft, DuPont, Westinghouse, Anaconda, U.S. Rubber and Union Carbide.

Lagging included Standard Oil of N.Y., Boeing, Phelps Dodge and North American.

McIntyre and Distillers Steamship, in the Canadian list, dipped fractions. Canadian Pacific gained as much while Hiram Walker held unchanged.

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United Church of Canada

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Rev. Hugh A. McLeod will preach at both services. The morning subject will be "The Well by the Gate of Bethlehem," and in the evening Mr. McLeod will preach on "The Holy Spirit," fourth sermon in a series on the doctrine of the United Church of Canada.

Rev. Lydia E. Gruchy, B.A., will be guest speaker at a meeting of the United Church Young People's Union in First United Church on Tuesday at 8, and on Wednesday evening to the members of the mission circles and the C.G.I.T. girls and their leaders. Rev. Lydia E. Gruchy was the first woman to be ordained by the United Church of Canada.

Morning anthem, "I Will Magnify Thee" (Goss), and Mrs. R. H. Nash will sing "O Loving Father"; evening anthem, "The Shadows of the Evening" (Thompson), and J. Maurice Thomas will sing "The Silent Voice."

CENTENNIAL

Rev. John Turner will give gospel messages at the services tomorrow, commencing at 11 and 7.30.

At the morning service the choir will sing the Negro spiritual "Go Down Moses" (Burleigh), and in the evening, the anthem, "Comes at Times a Stillness" (Woodward). A solo, "The Plains of Peace" (Barnard), will be given by Arthur Jackman.

Sunday school will meet at 9.45.

OAK BAY
Rev. F. R. G. Dredge will speak at both services tomorrow. In the morning his subject will be the sixth petition of the Lord's Prayer, "Lead Us Not Into Temptation." In the evening he will speak on "The Book of Genesis."

In the morning the choir will sing "God Will Take Care of You" (Martin) and A. W. Trevitt will sing "Thou Who Almighty Art" (Gillette). The anthem for the evening will be "The Radiant Morn" (Woodward) and the solo, "The Lord Is My Shepherd" (Liddle), will be sung by Miss Rosie Mai Parfitt.

JAMES BAY

Rev. T. Sawyer will preach at tomorrow evening's service.

H. Pendray will give an illustrated lecture on "The Balkans and Scandinavia" on Tuesday at 8, in James Bay United Church.

BRITISH-ISRAEL

President E. W. Abraham will be the speaker at a public meeting of the Victoria British-Israel Association December 3 at 8 in the lower hall, First Baptist Church, Quadra Street. He will outline the new economic system based upon that given to Israel in the wilderness, which will have to be brought in within the next few years if the present war is to be brought to a successful end.

G. E. Attree Coley will address a public meeting in Langford Hall, December 4 at 8 on "Six Things Hitler Does Not Know," illustrated by lantern slides.

VICTORIA WEST

Rev. C. D. Clarke will preach tomorrow morning at 11 on "The Divine Blacksmith." Anthem, "Praise the Lord" (L. O. Emerson).

Sunday school will be held at 9.45, Cecil Miller, superintendent.

WILKINSON ROAD

Sunday school and adult Bible classes for men and women will meet at 10. Public worship will follow at 11.15 when Rev. W. Allan will minister. The choir will render the anthem, "Angel Voices Ever Singing" (E. Vine Hall), and D. W. Phillips will conduct.

GARDEN CITY

Sunday school and adult Bible classes will meet at 2.15. Public worship will commence at 3.15, and Rev. W. Allan will preach. The choir, conducted by J. Jones, will render the anthem, "Comfort, O Lord, the Soul of Thy Servant" (W. Crotch).



ANGLICAN SERVICES

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

The First Sunday in Advent
HOLY COMMUNION—8 o'clock
CHILDREN'S EUCHARIST—8.45 o'clock
CONFESSIONS AND COMMUNION—11 o'clock
Preacher: The Dean
EVENSONG—10 o'clock
Preacher: The Dean

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH
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REV. GEORGE NELSON, Rector
Services: 8 a.m.—Holy Communion
11 o'clock—Holy Communion
12 o'clock—Evening Service
Preacher: The Rector
12.30 o'clock—Evening Service
Squadron Leader: S. J. Wickens
1.15 o'clock—Organ Recital
See Classified

St. Mary's, Oak Bay
Rector: Rev. A. E. de L. Weston, M.A.
Archdeacon: Rev. Cyril Venables, L.L.B.
Holy Communion—8 o'clock and
12 noon
Matins and Evensong—11 o'clock
Sunday School—10 o'clock
Junior Sunday School—11 o'clock

Anglican

METROPOLITAN

Services tomorrow will be conducted by Dr. A. E. Whitehouse. In the morning his subject will be: "A New World Order." The choir will sing the anthem, "The Lord Is My Light" (Maitland), James Oakman will be soloist. At the evening service Dr. Whitehouse will give a special address to young people, his subject being "The Strength of Youth." Anthems by the choir will include "God Be Merciful" (Collingwood) and "Heavenly Light" (Koplof).

FAIRFIELD

Tomorrow morning Rev. Norman J. Creech will speak on "Paredness" and to the children on "Spoons." In the evening the minister's subject will be: "The Garden of Eden."

Music for the day: Morning solo, "My Task" (Ashford), by Miss Barbara Dawson; anthem, "Come Holy Ghost" (Attwood), with solo part sung by Margaret Husband; evensong, solo, "The Lord Is My Rock" (Coerne), by Mrs. Percy Richards; anthem, "Ye That Stand in the House" (Spinney).

BELMONT

Sunday school will meet at 9.45. Rev. Bryce H. Wallace, continuing his series of messages on the Beatitudes, will preach in the morning on "The Pure in Heart." In the evening the topic will be "Waiting for the Angel," a message with reference to happenings of today. The choir will render anthems.

British-Israel

WORLD FEDERATION
"Is Britain Defeated?" will be E. E. Richards' subject for Monday at 8 in the Campbell Building under the auspices of the British-Israel World Federation.

Mr. Richards will deal with J. Kennedy's alleged assertion that Britain is already defeated and the advice of the Italian press that she submit now, and avoid harsher terms later. "British Finance and American Assistance," "The Submarine Menace and Britain's Need of Ships" and "The Indomitable British Lion versus the German Beast and the Italian Jackal," will be discussed. Pictures will be shown on the screen.

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Christian Science

CHURCHES OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST

"Ancient and Modern Necromancy, Alias Mesmerism and Hypnotism, Denounced," will be the subject of the lesson-sermon. The golden text is: "Look unto me, and be ye saved; all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else" (Isaiah 45:22).

The lesson-sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science text book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "At all times and under all circumstances, overcome evil with good. Know thyself, and God will supply the wisdom and the occasion for a victory over evil. Clad in the panoply of Love, human hatred cannot reach you. The cement of a higher humanity will unite all interests in the one divinity."

Spiritualist

OPEN DOOR SPIRITUALIST

Tomorrow in the Surrey Block at 7.30, trance address by Rev. Walter Holder on "Christ Consciousness," with messages. On Monday at 7.45, trance-psychometry circle in charge of Rev. W. Holder. Thursday at 8, messages and healing circle, in charge of Mr. Holder and assistants.

FIRST SPIRITUALIST

At the Sons of England Hall tomorrow at 7.30, the control "Excisor" will give an address on "Hiding in Thee," flower messages will be given by Mrs. C. P. Milne. On Monday at 8, a healing and message circle will be held in the Women's Institute rooms, Fort Street, conducted by Elizabeth Wilton.

MISSION OF ALEXIS

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Religious Profession Means Nothing Unless It Is Made a Reality in Life

By WILLIAM E. GILROY, D.D.
Text: Luke 10, 25-37

THE PARABLE OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN is old and familiar, but always new. It will continue to be both new and good news until it is put more widely into practice; for, despite the world's acquaintance with it, the world is still far from putting its spirit into practice. The policy of the good neighbor is needed in every land and in every phase of human relations today.

Men approve the teaching when they read and study it in the parable, but they still fail to put it into practice. What will be the effect this year upon those who actually study this lesson and upon those who read these words? Will we go out to put into practice what we have learned concerning the spirit and method of the Good Samaritan?

ST. JOHN'S
The rector will preach at 11. In the evening the preacher will be Squadron Leader S. J. Wickens, senior chaplain, Western Air Command, who will take as his topic "The Christian and War."

Men of the Royal Canadian Air Force, together with all the members of the forces, are invited to be guests of the young people for a social hour after the evening service.

Stanley Hawks' Bible class at 10. Organ recital by Ian Galliard at 7.10: Allegretto, Sonata Four, Mendelssohn; Nocturne, Stoughton; Offertoire, R. H. Linberger.

ST. MARY'S
The services at St. Mary's tomorrow will be celebration of Holy Communion at 8 and noon.

Being the first Sunday in the month, the younger members of the church are specially asked to attend the early celebration.

At 9.30 the Advent children's service for all members of the Sunday school and parents; the rector will preach the sermon. Matins and sermon by Ven. Archdeacon A. E. de L. Nunns at 11 and evensong with sermon at 7, the preacher being Rev. Cyril Venables. The weekly service of intercession at 10.30 on Tuesday, and midweek celebration of Holy Communion with special intercession at 10.30 Thursday morning.

ST. PAUL'S

Advent Sunday will be observed with celebrations of Holy Communion at 8 and 10.30. In the morning Dr. Western will preach on "The Character of St. Andrew," and in the evening at 7.30 he will discuss "The Hope of Christ's Coming."

Following the evening service, the confirmation lecture will be on "The Church in Britain."

ST. ALBANS

Services tomorrow: Holy Communion at 8, family service at 11, evensong at 7; Rev. F. Comley.

ST. MATTHIAS

First Sunday in Advent; Ven. Archdeacon Cornish.

Holy Communion at 8, choral Communion at 11, evensong at 7.30.

ST. MARK'S

Services tomorrow will be as follows: Holy Communion at 8 and 11; sermon, "The Will and the Imagination"; evensong at 7.

ST. STEPHEN'S, MT. NEWTON

Matins and sermon at 11.30; Rev. R. J. Pierce.

ST. MARY'S, SAANICHTON

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ST. JOHN'S, COLWOOD

Matins and Holy Communion at 11; Rev. P. J. Disney.

ST. MATTHEW'S, LANGFORD

Holy Communion at 8, evensong at 7; Rev. P. J. Disney.

ST. LUKE'S, CEDAR HILL

Holy Communion at 8, matins at 11; Rev. S. J. Wickens; evensong at 7.30; Rev. F. Pike.

ST. MICHAEL'S, ROYAL OAK

Services tomorrow will be as follows: Holy Communion at 8, matins and sermon at 11; Rev. Canon H. V. Hitchcock.

ST. MARTIN'S-IN-THE-FIELDS

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PLEAD FOR BLIND

Conservative Leader Maitland and Mrs. D. G. Steeves, C.C.F., Vancouver North, in the Legislature yesterday pleaded with the government to better working conditions for the blind.

Mrs. Steeves said that in blind workshops of the province men had to work 30 hours a week and in many cases received only \$25 a month, and were responsible for a certain output. To live many had to go on relief. "These unfortunate people should not be

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Aid Arranged For Single Men

An agreement between Vancouver city and the provincial government to deal with the congregation of unemployed single men in Vancouver will be worked out. The Legislature was assured yesterday by Mayor Lyle Teiford and Hon. George S. Pearson, Minister of Labor.

The mayor said it was difficult to estimate the number of men needing assistance, but there was considerable panhandling and begging at homes now in progress. He said the men had had a parade but it did not amount to much.

He suggested the opening of a central registration office towards which the province would contribute.

Mr. Pearson said the government would agree to a reasonable proposition.

He said Relief Administrator E. W. Griffith had gone to Vancouver to work out a plan with W. R. Bone, Vancouver relief officer.

The labor minister mentioned that his officers could place 50 men on farms but none appeared to want to go.

He said he could offer the services of a special officer who could contact sawmills and probably find openings for a number of men.

In honor of their federal member, Second-Lieutenant Alan Chambers, who has recently returned from Ottawa, the Esquimalt Liberal Association will hold a social and dance in the Colwood Hall on Tuesday evening at 8. Members and friends will be welcomed and a good program is being arranged.

DIGGONS

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VICTIMS OF RAIDS

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Will Force Care Of Aged Parents

A bill designed to remove one cause of friction in the administration of old age pensions was brought down in the Legislature last night by Hon. G. M. Weir, Provincial Secretary.

It amends the Parents' Maintenance Act and concerns the pension rule that allowances will not be granted old people whose children are in a position to support them.

The bill provides that where a pension is denied for this reason, the Workmen's Compensation Board, which administers the pension law, must take action against the children to force them to support the parent.

This matter had been the source of considerable complaint in the Legislature. Critics pointed out that the rule was the cause of much ill-feeling among families. Aged people were denied pensions because their children could support them, but had too much pride to ask them for it. Under the new clause the compensation board will take the action officially.

During discussion of estimates Hon. George S. Pearson, Minister of Labor, agreed with Mrs. D. G. Steeves, C.C.F., North Vancouver, that administration of the pension regulation that requires children to keep their parents if possible was entirely too rigid.

He said this apparently was done at the insistence of the federal government because of some abuses that had developed.

SOUGHT MODIFICATION

At the last conference in Ottawa on the subject he had submitted representations that the rule be modified. Instead it was made more rigid.

"Our Premier has taken a very strong stand in favor of better old age pension laws," Mr. Pearson said. "And I hope when we go down to the conference in January something can be done about this. I would call it the worst feature of the present old age pension administration."

"Nothing was worrying the people more than their old age," R. W. Bruhn, Conservative, Salmon Arm, said.

Premier Maitland interjected with: "I expect to die in harness."

"That's all very well for you, you're a wealthy man, but what about the rest of us?" asked Mr. Bruhn. He said he also thought the rule about children supporting their parents was too strictly enforced.

OBLIGATION

"Don't you think children owe any obligation to their parents?" asked G. M. Murray, Liberal, Lillooet.

"No, not the way we've squandered the wealth of their country," Mr. Bruhn said.

"No, definitely," cried E. E. Winch.

Leslie Eyres, Conservative, Chilliwack, said the pension was not relief, rather it was a reward for services rendered the country. He thought that if Senators were put on \$20 a month for a year the pensions would be raised.

"It is not humane that I should have to sue my son before I get the pension," Leader of the Opposition Maitland said.

Mr. Pearson said the government would agree to a reasonable proposition.

He said Relief Administrator E. W. Griffith had gone to Vancouver to work out a plan with W. R. Bone, Vancouver relief officer.

The labor minister mentioned that his officers could place 50 men on farms but none appeared to want to go.

He said he could offer the services of a special officer who could contact sawmills and probably find openings for a number of men.

In honor of their federal member, Second-Lieutenant Alan Chambers, who has recently returned from Ottawa, the Esquimalt Liberal Association will hold a social and dance in the Colwood Hall on Tuesday evening at 8. Members and friends will be welcomed and a good program is being arranged.

Honor Retiring Accountant



Friends of Henry Shaw, Esquimalt naval dockyard chief accountant, gathered this week to present him with a clock and a smoker's cabinet on his retirement after 30 years' service. Those in the picture are: Front row, left to right, J. H. Davies, G. Aish, Geo. Phillips, Commodore W. J. R. Beech, Henry Shaw, Engr. Capt. G. L. Stephens, Pay-Lieut. G. A. Heal, and C. J. Wright; second row, J. Mouison, W. T. Longworth, W. Low, W. Benson, T. Miller, J. A. Mossop, G. A. Renton, Lieut. J. E. Hutchings, R. Ryley and W. S. Davey; back row, J. J. Comerford, D. Wickens, J. Linn, J. McAlpine, R. Hough, H. Reid, V. Henry and A. Geddes.

Burnaby Debt Plan Presented

PAULINE PENSION

The \$4,200 annual pension paid to F. A. Pauline, former British Columbia agent-general in London, received scant attention in the Legislature this year.

As usual Samuel Guthrie, C.C.F., Cowichan-Newcastle, brought up the matter. But he was quickly called to order by the chairman who explained the pension was authorized by statute and not open to debate.

Yesterday Mr. Guthrie said he went to Cowichan last Saturday and on the bus talked to an old man who was getting a \$13 old age pension.

"And yet we have another old man, an ex-Liberal, who is getting \$4,200 a year," he said, adding, "I think this is disgraceful."

"You're out of order," said Chairman R. H. Carson, Liberal, Kamloops.

"Well then, if I'm out of order then so is this pension to the old man out of order," Mr. Guthrie said as he sat down.

In the estimates the pension comes under the following heading, authorized by statute, "an act to provide for the payment of an allowance to Frederick Arthur Pauline."

241 Victoria Mental Cases in 5 Years

Apologetic if members thought that mental hospitals were becoming to him like King Charles' head, Ernest E. Winch, C.C.F., member for Burnaby, told B.C. legislators yesterday it was time they realized what a really serious public problem mental illness was becoming.

Another municipal refunding plan, for \$196,500 City of Rossland debentures became law yesterday. Lieutenant-Governor E. W. Hamber made a special trip to the House to assent to the measure so that necessary steps to carry out the plan can be initiated immediately.

WOULD REDUCE UTILITIES BOARD

R. L. Maitland, K.C., Conservative leader, told the government last night in the Legislature it would save money by reducing the public utilities commission from a three-man to a one-man board.

He declared that the salary lists for the utilities commission and the Coal and Petroleum Products Control Board totaled between \$80,000 and \$90,000 and should be reduced.

"And I suppose if we had set up a one-man commission first you'd tell us now it should be a three-man board," said the Premier.

"I'm advocating this because things have changed since the board was set up," replied the Conservative leader. "These are the days when we want to save the taxpayers every penny possible so that their money can go into the war effort."

The Premier explained that the same man, Dr. W. A. Carrothers, was already handling the two boards. "An excellent organization had been set up under the three-man utilities board, and it would be folly to change now."

Voice Opposition To Bartering Areas

LONDON (CP)—When the Commons meets again next week Prime Minister Churchill will be asked if he will give the House assurance that the government will not barter the sovereignty of any British territory in return for war supplies from any foreign country.

The minister also announced that a special vote of \$5,000 is being made this year, devoted entirely to a campaign of public education in sound health practices.

Oliver Simmons, Conservative, has given notice of the question. It is believed to have been prompted by recent unofficial

3 Hardy Annuals

The Legislature has just got through with three usually embarrassing votes with hardly any embarrassment at all.

Health insurance, the \$4,200 pension to F. A. Pauline and the Agent-General's position in London were good for hours of discussion in the old days—especially health insurance.

Yesterday Mr. Guthrie said it was disgraceful Mr. Pauline was getting such a big pension when an old man he talked to on a bus received only \$13 monthly old age pension. He started to shout his denunciation when he was called to order. The chairman said the vote was a statutory one and could not be discussed. How it managed to be discussed last year was not explained. Liberals and Tories looked relieved when this disagreeable moment passed, for both, it seems, feel a little guilty about the Pauline pension.

But this time Conservative leader Maitland was the only one to bite into the health insurance vote—and his bite wasn't very substantial. He asked Dr. Weir how many people were on the commission. Dr. Weir replied two, although he mentioned no names, and that the others had been cut off.

"I'd strike them all off, if I had my way," Mr. Maitland said. But that was all he did say. Health insurance seemed a dead issue and the House passed a \$13,000 vote to maintain the commission for another year.

The other hardy annual got

away to a good start, but it quickly wilted and died. Why it didn't bloom this year no one seemed to know. Last year it blossomed well. On that occasion Premier Pattullo helped Sam Guthrie, the fiery, Scottish-born C.C.F. member from Cowichan, nuture it to full flower.

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About the Agent-General usually someone says the premier is holding open the London position for himself or some good party follower. Last night nothing like this happened. Mr. Maitland just said W. A. MacAdam should be named Agent-General. What he will do about this important position, the Premier didn't say. The vote passed quickly and the government seemed pleased it was over with for another year.

JAMES K. NESBITT.

Debate Contract System of Logging

Compensation Board and the labor safety branch make careful inquiry into each fatality, but Mr. Pearson said he also had a confidential adviser studying the problem.

"We feel," he said, "that the main solution is to go right to the men who are in the woods and impress upon them the need of observing safety regulations. The accidents seem to come from hundreds of causes."

Mr. Guthrie said the contract system was reasonable for many because it forced fallers and buckers to work at high speed in order to get their money. At the end of a day they were too tired to escape danger.

Mr. Pearson told Colin Cameron, C.C.F., Comox, that comparatively few fatalities were due to faulty rigging, but admitted the compensation board did not have enough inspectors to test fully the rigging in all of the small operations.

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Decision in the Strange Case of
"BAD DEBTS, INC."

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"PLAINTIFF!" Herman Meeks won his case against the collecting agency, "Bad Debts, Inc." and the Supreme Court of Wisconsin upheld the verdict of the lower court. Not alone did he win what might be termed a moral victory in support of his reputation and integrity, but the court awarded him the sum of \$571.00 damages.

We give here a few pertinent excerpts from the record, in the words of the court.

"The envelope of the collecting agency contains a distinct label in itself, which could have been read and probably was read by many persons not members of the firm's association. This book, with its list of delinquent debtors, is the pillory or punishment threatened and to be endured if they do not pay."

Going further the court said: "The communications of this association are not only libelous, but they would seem to constitute the offense of threatening communications. The verdict (of the lower court) is not excessive. We can find no error in the record and the judgment of the circuit court is affirmed."

This is taken from a true case of citation may be had by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope to "Bela Lanau—Court Reporter."

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THE HONG TONG TERROR DOES NOT NAME THE HEAVY

HOSPITAL CASE

St. Paul's Hospital, Vancouver, and its recent labor troubles, was debated again in the Legislature last night.

Dr. J. J. Gillis, Liberal, Yale, said the hospital had not used

coercion or discrimination.

He said Labor Minister Pearson should have gone to St. Paul's and learned the facts of the case at first hand.

"The present Minister of Labor is one of the best we have ever had, but he has one fault—he stays too much in his office," Dr. Gillis said.

"Did Mr. Coady (J. M. Coady, St. Paul's counsel) not tell you I went to Vancouver and discussed the matter with him?" asked the minister.

"He did," Gillis replied, "but apparently he didn't convert you."

Dr. Gillis said the minister should have gone to the hospital and talked the matter over with the authorities instead of sending a subordinate.

Mr. Pearson said, "I hate to say this, but the honorable gentleman (Dr. Gillis) doesn't know the circumstances of this case."



HOROSCOPE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

Benefic aspects rule today. At this time citizens of Canada should prepare for high service in the cause of liberty.

This is a day most favorable for women and for their church relations. The stars encourage organized work for the good of humanity.

Persons of all classes will begin to feel the pressure of heavy obligations in the way of taxes. There will be continued activity in trade and manufacturing. As the winter advances many calls on the public for generous aid for the needy are foretold. Troubled times beget noble sacrifices. The wise will express gratitude for prosperity by carefully budgeting incomes so that generous and regular contributions to relief may be assured.

Patriotism now must be demonstrated in wholehearted support of Canada's war effort. The winter is to test the strength of democracy in a way that will require true heroism. The peril from enemies within will continue to be serious.

Pluto in Leo with other aspects has been read as indicating the struggle for political domination will be a long one, according to recent forecasts. There are portents of struggle lasting through next year and even longer.

Persons whose birthdate it is have the augury of a year of good luck. Business expansion for gain is indicated. Women should gain financially.

Children born on this day probably will be thoughtful and serious. They will be mentally and physically strong. Success awaits them.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2

Stimulating and energizing aspects rule today. It is a date for pushing business affairs, very promising for all constructive work and most propitious for signing contracts.

Good feeling should rule under this configuration which encourages unselfish service and expression of family devotion. Good news may be expected through letters or legal papers. For girls there is the forecast of happiness through new friends of opposite sex who are met for the first time under this rule of the stars. Naval service men are indicated as most fortunate.

Economic crises are prognosticated as the result of efforts of dictators to control finance. New

Funny Old Men of Stage Still Tops as Broadway Buffoons



Al Jolson hangs out the S. R. O. sign.

THE FUNNY Old Men have taken over Broadway.

Top-flight comedians of yesterday, their wheel-chairs parked in the wings, their white beards neatly combed, are hobbling right out onto the bright-lit stages of Manhattan's current smash-hit music shows to prove that they are the top-flight comedians of today!

"Standing Room Only" signs are being hung in the foyers of playhouses starring Al Jolson, Ed. Wynn, Joe Cook, Victor Moore, Olsen and Johnson, William Gaxton, Bert Lahr, Harry Richman, Joe Lewis and Sophie Tucker.

CANTOR, JESSEL ON THE WAY

Soon banjo-eyed Eddie Cantor will join the nostalgic throng with a musical show that he and a cohort of collaborators are feverishly whipping together. And the much-married George Jessel, not inclined to be left out of the family reunion, has declared his intentions of coming back.

These amiable personalities do not resent being identified as old-timers. Most of them are in their early or late fifties and there is at least one sexagenarian in the lot.

It doesn't puzzle wise or grizzled showmen that these venerable comics should have chosen the present time to gravitate back toward Broadway. The truth is that



Ed Wynn works hard.



Bert Lahr Joe Lewis

in younger hands, the art of making people laugh is on the wane and youthful funnymen are growing scarcer.

Ben Marden, who conducts the fabulous Riviera, a glamorous cabaret across the Hudson, took a long chance when he invested \$7,000 a week in a venerable com-

bination consisting of Harry Richman, Sophie Tucker, and Joe E. Lewis. The investment has repaid him many times.

"LOUISIANA PURCHASE" PAYS OFF

Irving Berlin's beautiful music would have been to no avail, nor would Morrie Ryskind's witty libretto have made "Louisiana Purchase" into a musical success, if rotund, cherubic Victor Moore and William Gaxton, the glib fashion-plate, were not in there pitching laughs to each other and right out into the audience.

Jolson's show, "Hold on to Your Hats," in which he put 85,000 of his own dollars, by the way, is attracting Standing Room Only customers, every seat having been sold for weeks. Joe Cook is about to decorate Sonja Henie's Arctic spectacle in Rockefeller Centre, "It Happened on Ice."

Ed Wynn is working harder than any young actor on the Rialto nowadays; he hardly ever is off-stage in "Boys and Girls Together," a mad musical that won top tributes from the critical fraternity. Rubber-faced Bert Lahr stars in the held-over "Duke Barry Was a Lady."

Meanwhile, producers are continuing their mournful, seemingly futile quest for Funny Young Men to step into the flapping shoes of the elder clowns.



Joe Cook skates with Sonja Henie.

Something New Under the Sun

IN THIS AGE of synthetic fabrics, it remains for the old timers to recall when our clothing was made chiefly of cotton and wool.

Clothing from trees, where Adam got his first suit of leaves with two pair of branches, may

soon be in fashion. Fibres resembling silk can be spun from the filaments of a new liquid wood, made of pulp with hydrogen added.

If costs prove in line with other fabrics, a wood clothing industry may be born. In winter emergencies, then, man can give the shirt off his back to keep the furnace fire going.



Clothing from trees.

Knitted bathing suits, made from a synthetic vinyl resin fibre, are appearing on the beaches. The material is elastic, equally strong wet or dry, and is proofed against water, acids or alkalies. Fish lines, nets and seines, shower curtains and waterproof clothing are also made of the fabric.

Shrinkproof Nylon is making its appearance as an improvement over the original fabric being used for women's hosiery. Future uses for the product will probably be found in parachutes, lace upholstery, men's suit linings, and hose, knit goods, woven dress materials, rugs and carpets.

Neckties of glass or rubber provide something new in an old gift-for-men standby. Soft as silk, but strong as steel, the glass fibre neckties are stain-proof, burn-proof, fade-proof and wrinkle-proof, and come in 45 different color combinations.

This same fabric is being used for table linens, lampshades, tablecloths, bedspreads and a variety of household articles. For the outside of the house there are colorful glass fibre awnings, easily kept clean by turning the hose on them.

The new rubber sheeting, plofilm, is being tested for use as headwear material that would be easy to keep clean. Now found at ribbon counters in a variety of widths and colors, plofilm may soon be used to make belts, hats, shoes, handbags and household furnishings.

SEAN SHAVING CREAM

Bloodless shaving will be possible when a new preparation hits the market. A shaving soap manufacturer learned that a special extract of the soybean has the power to stop bleeding. He is adding this to his soap. Tests show, it doesn't affect lathering qualities.

Women's razors are being introduced. To give the device added appeal, it is being marketed in a

dainty suede bag containing, in addition to the razor, its operating accessories and a new greaseless cream designed to retard hair growth. Women will still resort to their husband's razors to cut loose on them.

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Portable barber shops for travelers have appeared. A dime in a slot gives the traveler 10 minutes' use of an electric razor. The slender stand has a large mirror lighted at both edges.

After the razor has been used

which ultra-violet light sterilizes it for the next user. It will be placed in auto camps, railroad stations, hotel washrooms, etc.

Dental floss is strung on a new stubby fork, made of molded plastic, which has recently been placed on the market. It enables the user to reach

innermost crevices which are awkward to get at with the fingers alone.

Rubber dental floss is a new development. The rubber strips are slightly roughened on the edges to give a firm grip on obstinate particles.

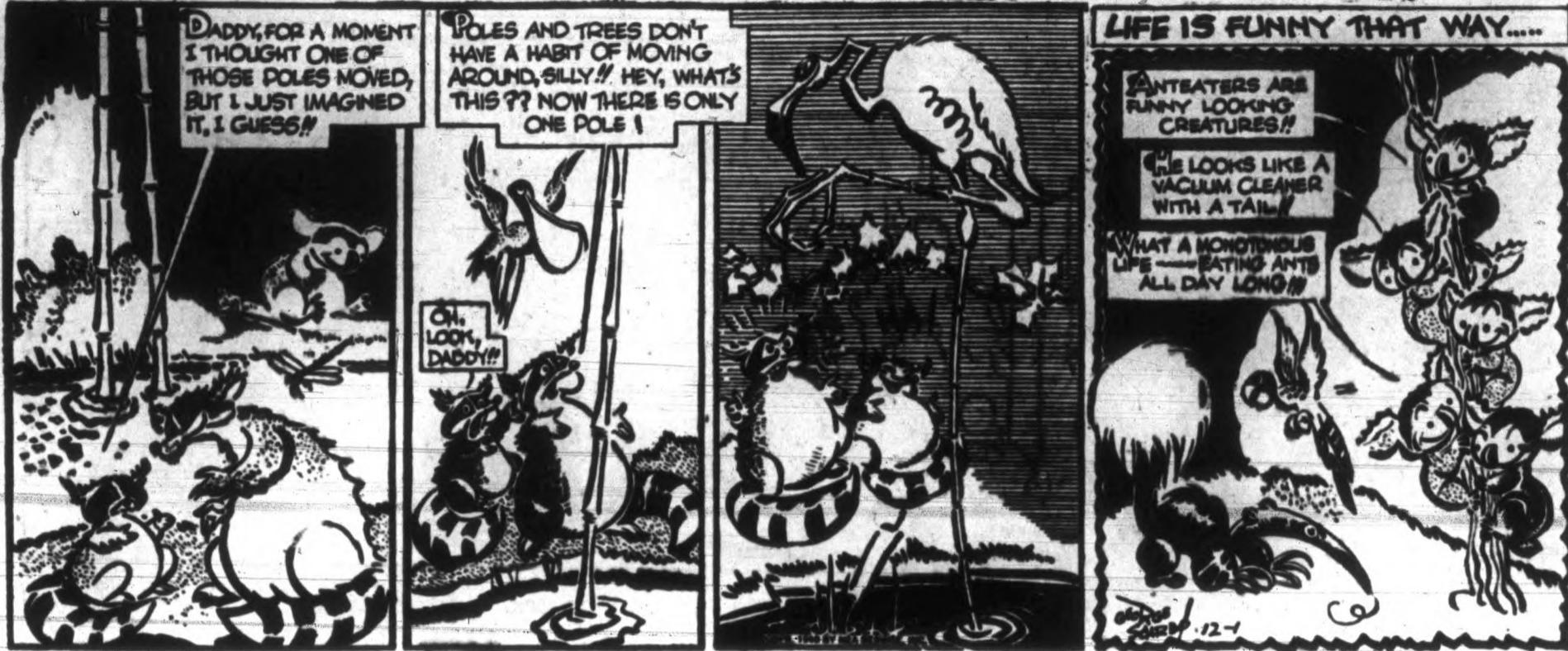
Lipstick stencils have made their appearance for use in the dark or when in a hurry. The new beauty aid, called the "lip bow," is shaped to fit around the mouth and keep the lipstick within bounds—at least until it gets on the boy friend.



Dental floss.

THE COMIC ZOO

By Scarbo



Stories in Stamps



PHILATELY'S ART GALLERY REPRODUCES WORLD'S BEST

THE stamp collector who specializes in fine art will find a wide selection of the world's greatest masterpieces for his album. Stamps afford an art collection within the financial reach of anyone who devotes his efforts toward obtaining it.

Notable addition to the art gallery was the Belgian series of eight semipostals honoring Peter Paul Rubens, noted Flemish painter. Rubens' painting of himself and his first wife is pictured above.

France recently contributed Fragonard's "La Lettre," and Germany issued Durer's "Venusian Woman." Spain's Goya stamp is well known. Belgium's Memling was not forgotten.

Pan-American Union anniversary commemoratives added the Venezuela reproduction of Titos Salas' painting "The Foundation of the Great Columbia," and U.S. "Three Graces" from Botticelli's "Spring."



LAST ISSUES OFFER WIDE PHILATELIC FIELD

COLLECTING "last issues of nations disappearing from the map of the world is becoming an important phase of philately. Above is the last issue of Austria, picturing roses and signs of the zodiac. The stamp was issued for Christmas greetings in 1937, three months before Hitler marched into the country.

Czechoslovakia's last stamp was the symbol of peace, issued to mark 20 years of independence. Poland ended its stamps with the Polish Legion issue, picturing Marshal Piłsudski reviewing troops.

Danzig, Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia have joined the list. Fate of the Lowlands countries in western Europe is as yet undecided. It is possible that other nations may disappear. Changes in Africa and Asia are probable.



BOMBING PLANES FOLLOW GRECO AIR-MAIL ROUTE

ITALIAN airmen found a route to the heart of Greece mapped out for them in the 1933 Greek airmail stamp above, but the planes carried bombs, not mail. The stamp also provides philatelists with a map of the war in the east.

Although attack on Greece was strategically important in the Axis war against Britain, Fascists saw a chance to re-establish the empire of 168 B.C. when Roman civilization spread over the Greek peninsula.

War is not new for Athens. Greeks battled Greeks on the Attic plains. The Persians burned the city in 480 B.C. Alexander lifted Greece to its greatest glory in the Hellenistic age, but strife and internal weakness after his death opened the way for an easy Roman conquest.

Greece became part of the Byzantine Empire after the fall of Rome, and was conquered by the Turks in 1453. From the fourth century B.C. until 1821, when Greece revolted against the Turks, the Greeks were at no time a free people.

British friendship dates from that revolution in which Lord Byron lost his life. England, France and Russia intervened, forced the Turks to grant Greek independence. During the World War, Greece supported the Allied cause.

RED RYDER

By Fred Harman



STAMP NEWS

WAR will not interrupt Switzerland's annual Youth series of stamps. The 1940 semipostals will picture Gottfried Keller, 19th century poet and novelist and typical women of the cantons of Thurgau, Solothurn and Zug. The stamps will be placed on sale in December.

Portugal gives philately an air-view of the 1940 world Exposition in a new single value. The stamp is the fifth of the Exposition group.

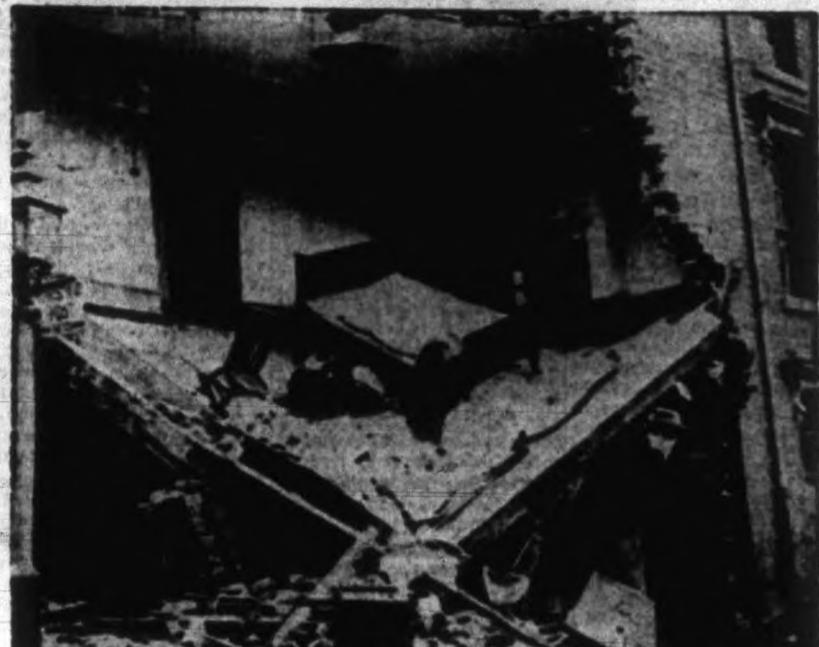
Bomb-Shattered Midlands Digs Itself Out of Ruins



With Coventry the start, Nazis raiders poured millions of pounds of high explosives the length and breadth of England's industrial Midlands, spreading death and destruction over wide areas. Birmingham was one of the cities hardest hit. This row of blasted shops on the main street of a Midlands town testifies to fury of German aerial bombardment.



Huge casualties, enormous damage resulted from this latest outburst of Nazi aerial fury on Midland towns. Here workers search amid ruins of dwellings for victims.



The wall is ripped away and the floor tilts at a crazy angle, but the bed is still in place in this Midlands home after the passing of a Nazi bomber.



THESE NAZIS DIDN'T MISS THE BUS—German soldiers are getting used to bus travel. In buses commandeered by the German army, thousands of them have been taken on "strength-through-joy" tours of Paris and other Nazi-occupied areas of Europe. But in London German aviators get another kind of bus ride, shown above, en route to a concentration camp after their capture by the British.



"VERBOTEN" ROAD—This sign at a sentry post in Dover strikes a humorous note. The notice written on the sign in German, reads, "Military warning. Danger to life, no through way," signed, "Heinrich von Pigow, Oberleutnant." The sign was probably posted as a warning to possible Nazi invaders.



HELPING HANDS—Answering motoring organizations' appeals to the public to assist, all branches cheerfully oblige. Here a bus, crowded to capacity, is "relieved" of overflow by obliging passing truck.

Girls Behind Guns



Girls of Britain's Auxiliary Territorial Service are right on the job with the men behind the guns, playing a vital part in training anti-aircraft artillermen. Here A.T.S. girls, left, operate a sensitive instrument which records data on the fire of the gun crew seen at right.



Among British women's war organizations whose heroism has been outstanding is the Women's Auxiliary Air Force, one of whose members, Corporal Elspeth Henderson, above, recently won the Military Medal for Gallantry.



EMPIRE RALLIES—King George inspects troops of the Royal Indian Army Service Corps, recently arrived in England for training. The troops are easily identified by their colorful turbans, white Sam Browne belts.



BEFORE NAZIS STRUCK—Airview of central Birmingham, great industrial city in heart of Midlands, which was hammered by savage German air bombings.



EDEN NOT IDLE—Anthony Eden, Britain's secretary of war, was "just one of the boys," except that he wore civilian hat, when he visited desert troops on a recent tour of Palestine.

While the worst raids of the war shatter England, its heroic women ambulance drivers carry on unhesitatingly under the Nazi terror. A squad here renders first aid to an injured woman dug out of the ruins of a blasted building. They also evacuate patients from threatened hospitals, drive doctors to trouble spots.

Good Books More Binding Than Treaties

By NELLIE L. MCCLUNG
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WITH Christmas coming around the corner, and the need of a Christmas spirit more imperative than ever in a world that seems in danger of forgetting what life was given to us for, I hope we can do something definite this year in the matter of Christmas giving.

Women are knitting and sewing for the people who need all the warmth, protection and comfort they can get. So let us count out bedroom slippers, pin-cushions, nightingales, shopping bags and all that category of regular presents for the folks at home. Most of us have these, with extra ones still in their wrappings, in the lower bureau drawer.

This year the need of our people is different. Our bodies are clothed, our dressing tables have a full supply of gadgets, but there is a clear and definite need for the things of the spirit.

I am always flattered when people give me books. Ten years ago I received a copy of Moffat's translation of the Bible, with its modern arrangement, and the poetical parts written as poetry should be written, and each time I read it I am grateful to the giver.

INFINITE PRECIOUS

There is something infinitely precious about books. They equalize life. They raise the standard of living like nothing else. We cannot all live in fine houses, with broadloom carpets, and pictures by the old masters, but we can all possess minted words of wisdom, mined from the greatest souls on earth. There is something pathetic in the falling market for books today, when rare old volumes sell at the price of Penguin editions, but let us think of this in reverse, and rejoice that more beautiful books are coming into the hands of real book lovers.

I have on my desk a hand-bound book printed on vellum, and I read on the fly leaf that 45 years ago it was given to Beatrice May Howell, as a prize at Southfield, Dorchester. It is a book of narrative poems, dealing with Italian life.

In one of the poems is a description of Rome, which has a tragic significance to us now, when we think of how that noble city has been debased.

"A great, strange city, lovelier in its 1-its
Than all the golden greenness of the hills.
A city of all colors, and all shapes
And gleams of falling water, day and night
Resonant with bells, and voices musical."

I never once could feel alone in Rome;
The sense of someone greater than myself
Was with me in all places, making life
Solemn at all times."

Many of the poems in this book tell of the Italians' fight for freedom, bringing back to us, in these days of frantic boasting, and treacherous "stabs in the back," the fact that the Italians have been a gentle people, who read poetry and fairy tales and love music and who have, until recent years, occupied an honored place in the Family of Nations.

NEW BOTTOONE NOVEL

I have just read a modern book, "The Heart of a Child," by Phyllis Bottome, which is the story of a little German boy and his dog, who lived and suffered in the hard days of starvation following the last war. The peasants of Feldmuss, a little village in the high mountains, believed that the English were savage and cruel and were the cause of all their miseries, but at the end of the war the Society of Friends mysteriously appeared with their hands full of gifts, and the word went out through the village that a Christmas party would be given to all the children.

Karl, the hero of the story, who had stolen money from the church to give the life of his dog, Rolf, was torn with fear and suspicion. He was afraid to take his young brothers and sisters to the English women's party. He knew the English had great guns of destruction, and was afraid that this party was nothing but a blind.

However, the kind faces of the English women, and the prospect of something to eat overcame his fears, and Karl and his nine brothers and sisters went to the party, and what a party that was! The high point of the proceed-

ings came when a Christmas tree blazed at them out of the dark, and at the foot there lay the Holy Child, in His manger cradle, with Mary in her blue cloak beside Him, and Joseph standing guard. Warmed and fed in body and mind, the little boy went to the church before going home and made his peace with God, restoring the money to the poor box, and offered a prayer:

"Please God forgive the English, if they need it, and thank you for sending them, and a Merry Christmas to you and me and Rolf."

BEST AMBASSADORS

It's a good thing for us to read books, written from the other side of the wall. Books are the best ambassadors. They bind us to our fellowman more securely than treaties. The burning of the books in Germany was a crime against all humanity, a symbolic act, which shows that the mind and soul of their people has been cut off from human relationships with the other people of the world for the purpose of starving to begin.

MUSIC ON RECORDS

AN IMPORTANT piano album which yet will be of interest because of its composer to all music lovers is the beautiful Cesar Franck "Prelude, Chorale and Fugue," played on two Columbia records by that excellent Dutch pianist, Egon Petri (CM-X173).

Written at the height of his powers just two years before the great symphony, this work ranks as one of the two major pieces which Franck wrote for piano. As usual, it is richly chromatic and thematically allied to parts of the symphony, and it exhibits with equal power the peculiar blend of poetry, elevation and saintliness which is Franck's hallmark of matured style.

Prelude and chorale take one side apiece, with two sides devoted to the fugue. In the prelude long arpeggios ripple over the solemn melody. The influence of Bach's Chromatic Fantasy has been detected here in form; the style and harmony are pure Franck.

The chorale is even more meditative. The high point of the work comes at the end of the fugue when in a mighty episode parts of the prelude and chorale are heard united with the theme of the fugue in fugal treatment.

FATS WALLER and his Rhythm are always good for a laugh and the latest disk, with "My Mommie Sent Me to the Store" and "Dry Bones," is good for several, especially the latter (Bluebird). Tommy Dorsey and his orchestra do smooth, sweet treatments of "Two Dreams Met" and "When You Awake" (Victor). For dancing, not listening.

Mary Martin retains her charm in "Ain't It a Shame About Mama," with a torchy and maudlin "I Don't Want To Cry Any More" on the other side, Erskine Butterfield offers a boogie-woogie treatment of "St. Louis Blues" that doesn't come off. (Both Decca).

If you are looking for the old-fashioned line of patter, there is Henry Youngman doing two sides of "Gaga and Supergaga" (Victor). Mr. Youngman is glib and bland, and his lines are so aromatic with age that they are funny again.

SWING CLASSIC

BUNNY BERIGAN (Victor) "Ay-Ay-Ay" and "Ain't She Sweet?" Victor made a mistake on this one—in not classifying it as a swing classic. Regardless of color, few musicians today can match the hotness of the Berigan horn, and though this isn't the best record Berigan ever made, few others have shown the solidness revealed here. His supporting band does a great job—so well done, we might suspect many of the men are from the T. Dorsey crew. Tenor sax and piano solos lend pleasant variety.

Charlie Barnet (Bluebird) "Night and Day" and "Wild Mob of the Fish Pond." Here's a platter with the usual sax appeal that marks Barnet. On the first side, the maestro imparts a slight lift to one of Cole Porter's best-known tunes.

The first movement is the most brilliant and admirable; the second, to my ears, is rather thin stuff, in spite of Liszt's statement that one could "move stones with it." The minuet, an engaging trifle, and the rondo suitably jolly. Cortot's poetic performance is a masterpiece of delicate adjustments, emphases and singing tone. Collectors of piano music might thus be interested if no more than this superb performance. Recording is good.

TRAUBEL MAGNIFICENT

HELEN TRAUBEL, who made her Victor debut auspiciously several weeks ago, returns on two 12-inch disks. On one she sings Strusse's "Ruhe, Mein Seide" and Schubert's "Wigenlied," with Conrad V. Bon as the pianist. On the other side she does "Elsa's

WELCOME HOME!

A choir was being organized among soldiers in an army barracks. They were put under the instructions of a sergeant and in rehearsing them for one of their songs he announced: "The tenors will sing alone until they come to the gates of hell. Then you will all come in."

Merriman Talks BOOKS

IT WAS A COINCIDENCE that the same week I wrote about my own experiences with a one-string fiddle that I should receive in a battered old paper parcel from across the Atlantic a photograph of a real fiddle and a letter from a real fiddler.

By a real fiddler I don't mean a violinist who makes appearances on a concert platform for a fat fee, but a likeable, shabby old former Barnardo boy who was burned out on a lonely prairie homestead 10 or 12 years ago, and who since has become as near to a wandering minstrel as it is possible to be in these days.

At the present time he is playing his fiddle in an air raid shelter in London to a chummy little party seeking sanctuary underground from Nazi bombs.

Some people may remember him when he was in Victoria six or seven years ago. He called at this office, among others, dressed in old clothes that he admitted had been picked up here and there, an old fur hat which he greatly prized. He wore a flowing beard and carried a fiddle, a flute, a mouth organ and two or three tin whistles. In spite of his flowing beard he was a sprightly chap with twinkling eyes and a ceaseless flow of conversation.

"I'm William Carter the Wandering Minstrel," he informed us, and rambled on about the fire that had made him homeless and how he had wandered from end to end of Canada ever since; how he had been received with open arms at isolated farmhouses and entertained them with his music; how they invited him to stay over for a day or two while neighbors rallied to hear his music and dance to it; how he had dropped in on hobos jungles, where his music stirred roaming, homeless men to sing and applaud long-forgotten songs, and how with his fiddle, his mouth organ, flute and tin whistles there were very few days when he had not the price of the next meal in his pockets.

There were, however, occasions when the farmhouses were far apart or the weather halted his travels and he had to go hungry.

When he arrived at Victoria he had 35 cents. After he had told his story he brought out his fiddle from its battered case and struck up a tune, "The Irish Washerwoman."

"That's the one I usually open with," he said. "Everybody knows that tune. Everybody likes it. It sets them all jiggling, but after that they like something serious."

Then he played his serious numbers. "I Wandered Today by the Hill, Maggie," "The Farmer's Boy," "The Midshipmite," songs reminiscent of the old melodrama days. Then he played a few tunes on his tin whistle. It was after the deadline so the reporters let him ramble along. Of course he wound up with a collection.

It must have been a good one, for his eyes twinkled when he counted the results in his battered old hat.

"I'm going back to England as soon as I can raise enough money," said the old chap whose total assets were 35 cents before the collection. "I want to see Yorkshire again before I die." It sounded a hopeless ambition for an itinerant fiddle player living by collections, but he realized it.

For the last year letters have been arriving from him at intervals. The first was from his home town, where he still had friends who remembered him. The home town reporters looked over his clippings and hailed him as the wandering minstrel of Canada back home after great adventures. Bill is no slouch at securing publicity for himself. He got a few radio engagements and then started roaming again.

Now, judging from his last letter, he belongs to the interesting army of buskers who Londoners know well and who were recently brought to the attention of the rest of the world through articles in the picture magazines and a Charles Laughton picture.

They are entertainers who have either slipped or have never been quite able to make the vaudeville stage.

As the crowds line up for the long wait before the theatres open the buskers put on their little shows on the sidewalk. Singers, dancers, jugglers, conjurers, musicians, elocutionists and acrobats, they do their acts on the street and trust to the generosity of the theatre crowds for the coppers on which they live.

Some, with confidence in their ability, nourish a secret hope that they may be seen by some theatre manager with the power to move them from the hard work of street acting to the glamorous atmosphere of the stage and footlights inside.

In previous letters the wandering minstrel told how he has joined this army of entertainers. Now this business is going through a depression as Nazi bombers discourage crowds.

"But we still keep going, although we don't collect so much, and often we don't try to collect at all."

"We play in the air raid shelters."

"Sometimes there are five or six of us and we give a regular show. Two weeks ago I was the only busker in the shelter I went to. I played for nearly two hours. The people kept asking for more music. They liked it and the mothers told me it kept the children from worrying."

"The same people go to this shelter every raid and they have asked me to go all the time. They have fixed up a bed for me there which they call the Canadian minstrel's bed and nobody else is allowed to use it."

"I don't make a collection. The people who come to this shelter haven't much money but the women always see that there is something for supper for me and something left over for breakfast."

The wandering minstrel also enclosed a photograph of a new fiddle he has acquired. He bought it in a back street in Hull for 10s 6d but believes he has a valuable fiddle

BOOKS

Treasury of Letters

By DOROTHY THOMPSON

CONCLUSION

In all ages, one sees, the writer, the writer, has suffered more than any other class of distinguished men. Despots always knife them first, fearing them more than any other enemies.

In "A Treasury of the World's Great Letters" (Simon and Schuster) is Dostoevsky's extraordinary letter to his brother Mihal, written from the Peter and Paul Fortress in 1849, on the very day when, after having been dressed for execution, he was reprieved and sentenced to four years' hard labor. The letter is the letter of a man with an unquenchable will to live, and yet with every expectation that he will not survive. He did survive to write the greatest novels ever written by any man, and to transmute into them the experiences of the four years. He writes:

"Brother! I have not become downhearted or low-spirited. Life is everywhere life, life in ourselves, not in what is outside of us. There will be people near me, and to be a man among people and remain a man forever, not to be downhearted nor to fall in whatever misfortunes may be before me, that is life; that is the task of life..."

"Yes, it's true! The head which was creating, living with the highest life of art, which had realized and grown used to the highest needs of the spirit, that head has already been cut off from my shoulders. There remains a memory of the images created but not yet incarnated by me. They will lacerate me, it is true! But there remains in me my heart and the same flesh and blood which can also love, and suffer, and desire, and remember, and this all is life."

And this man for whom writing was his very existence contemplates four years in which he may not take a pen in his hand, and contemplates them with anguish. "How many imaginations lived through by me, created by me anew, will perish, will be extinguished in my brains or will be split as poison in my blood!"

He flagellates himself for wasted time, for sins "against my heart and spirit." And at the same time he lays plans for four years ahead when he will be free. "Brother, I swear to you that I shall not lose hope... I shall be reborn to a better thing. That is my whole hope, my whole comfort."

INDICTMENT OF NAZIS

From that letter to Thomas Mann's "God Help our Darkened and Desecrated Country"—the by-now famous letter which he wrote to the dean of the philosophical faculty of the University of Bonn on being advised that his name had been stricken from the rolls of the faculty, there is no great leap, although nearly 100 years have intervened. It remains the most measured, lofty and devastating indictment of the Nazi regime which has yet come from any pen:

"To what a pass in less than four years have they brought Germany? Ruined, sucked dry, body and soul, by armaments with which they threaten the whole world; holding up the whole world and hindering it in its real task of peace; loved by nobody, regarded with fear and cold aversion by all, it stands on the brink of disaster while its 'enemies' stretch out their hands in alarm to snatch back from the abyss so important a member of the future family of nations, to help it, if only it would come to its senses and try to understand the real needs of the world at this moment, instead of dreaming dreams about mythical 'sacred necessities'."

Beethoven never ceased to believe in the fall of Napoleon I—a man he once had idolized—not Victor Hugo in the collapse of Napoleon III of France, nor had Thomas Mann in Princeton ever for a moment accepted a world-conquering Third Reich, as the final or characteristic face of Germany.

The truth of the prophecies of his predecessors should give him comfort.

THOREAU TO GANDHI

Curious, too, how the gifted mind, dying in one era and in one land, lives again in another era and on another soil. Henry spent most of his life in the streets of a New England village, again 100 years ago. There is an exquisite letter in this collection from Thoreau to Emerson, a letter in praise of confidence between human beings. "We are undermined by faith and love.... The spirit abhors a vacuum more than nature. There is a tide which pierces the pores of the air.... These aerial rivers, let us not pollute their currents."

It is interesting to read in a footnote to this letter by a too-forgotten American that his essay on "Civil Disobedience," written after he had spent a night in jail for non-payment of taxes, is said to have inspired the doctrine which, in our own country, has flourished a great Empire: Mahatma Gandhi's revolution of non-resistance. And the Gandhi philosophy may yet prove to be the basis of the revolution in Europe—the revolution of the oppressed, deprived of all other weapons.

more than 200 years old. He put it down in the air raid shelter recently to change his music for his tin whistle. A man stepped on it and broke it. The man apologized when he learned what he had done. "I'm sorry," he said, "but I am stone blind."

"The people of the air raid shelter made a collection in the neighborhood," the minstrel writes. "They collected 20s to have the fiddle repaired and now it's as good as ever. It has a sweet, mellow tone, rich and pure and lots of volume. They all love its music in the air raid shelter."

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Comet Visible to Naked Eye Next Month for First Time in Three Decades

By JAMES STOKELY

IF YOU ARE 30 years old or less, you will be able this month to see something in the sky that you never saw before.

This "something" is a bright naked-eye comet, Cunningham's comet, to be specific, discovered more than two months ago by Harvard astronomer Leland E. Cunningham, after whom it is named. Ever since then it has been approaching closer both to sun and the earth. Right now it is becoming visible to the naked eye. By Christmas, astronomers expect, it will be conspicuous in the western sky after sundown.

A dozen or more bright comets appeared during the 19th century, but the 20th thus far has been considerably behind its quota. In 1910 there were two. One was the famous Halley's, on one of its regular 75-year visits. The other is recorded as 1910a, since it was the first to be discovered that year.

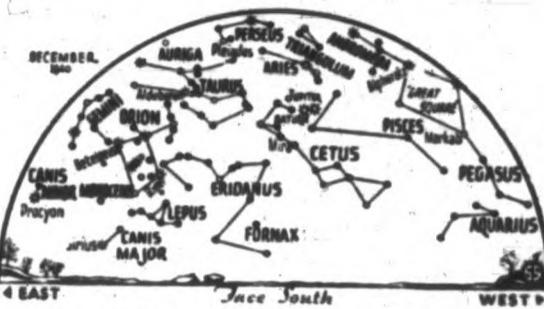
It came so quickly that a number of persons in the southern hemisphere, discovered it at about the same time, and no one name is attached to it. As it moved into the northern sky in the last half of January it was a conspicuous object in the sky for a few days. Then it passed out into space again, never to return, as far as we can tell.

150 COMETS SINCE 1910

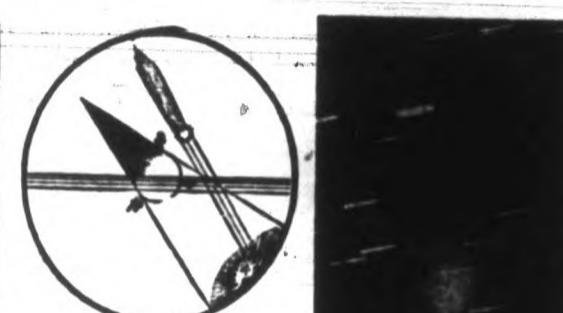
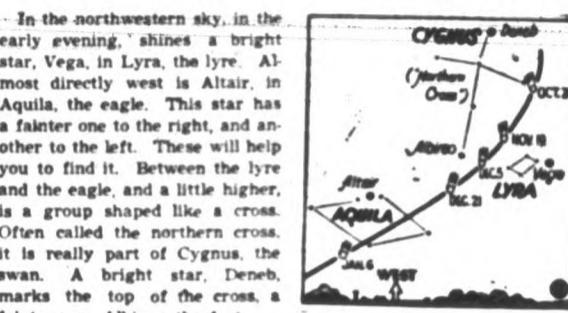
Since then, about 150 times astronomers have watched a comet as it swept around the sun. A third of these were returns of periodic visitors, and the rest were unheralded. Many of these are periodic, too, but their cycles are so long, counted into thousands of years, that no one had known how to calculate their motions when they were last here.

Not more than half a dozen in recent years reached the brightness needed for visibility without a telescope. One of these was discovered by an amateur, Leslie C. Peletier, in 1936. The following year a Swiss, Dr. P. Finsler, of Zurich, found one. And in 1939 came a third, discovered independently by observers in Norway, Canada, Russia and elsewhere. But none of these were conspicuous. Each could be seen as a hazy blob of light, if the sky was clear and dark, and you knew where to look. People who remembered Halley's in 1910 felt justifiably disappointed.

Even Cunningham's comet may not rival Halley's, but at least it will do better than any since. Early in its visit a tail began to appear, and this has been enlarging. In a few more weeks you will see it pointing away from the sun, as a comet's tail always does.

*** * * SYMBOLS FOR STARS IN ORDER OF BRIGHTNESS**

These maps show the sky's appearance at 7 p.m. on December 1, 6 p.m. on the 15th and 5 p.m. on the 31st. The comet is indicated in its place for the beginning of the month. Its motion is in the direction of the short arrow nearby. All during December it will continue to brighten, which will make it easier to find. However, it is approaching closer to the sun, and that means it will set each day a little sooner after sunset. In addition to the comet, the planets Jupiter and Saturn are seen this month, still close together in the constellation of Aries, high in the south. Jupiter, the more brilliant of the pair, is easily recognized. On Tuesday, December 10, the moon, four days before it is full, will pass near the planet. Most brilliant of the stars seen on December evenings is Sirius, the dog star, in Canis Major, the big dog. Above it is the group of constellations that make the skies of winter so glorious. These are Orion, the warrior, with Betelgeuse and Rigel; Taurus, the bull, with Aldebaran; Canis Minor, the lesser dog, with Procyon and Capella, in Auriga, the charioteer. To the northwest are seen two other stars of the first magnitude. These are Deneb, in Cygnus, the swan, and, near the horizon, Vega, in Lyra, the lyre.



Four centuries ago Peter Apian used this diagram in a book called "Caesar's Astronomy," to explain the way that a comet's tail always points away from the sun.

light visible only with large telescopes, or on photographs taken with special star cameras.

As a comet approaches the sun, it increases in activity, a tail may develop, and its brightness rises. That has happened with this one. Its December first position is only 116,500,000 miles from the sun and 115,000,000 miles from the earth. By Christmas Day it will have moved to a distance of 63,500,000 miles from the sun, and 73,500,000 miles from us. Not earlier, probably, than December 5 will it be visible without a telescope, though for a week or more before, one might be able to see it with a pair of field glasses. By Christmas it will undoubtedly be seen without difficulty.

After Cunningham's discovery on his photograph of September 15, he looked over other photos, taken in the various patrol cameras that operated nightly from the Harvard Observatory. It appeared on one made August 25. Then it was just a hazy spot of

Path of Cunningham's Comet in the western sky next month. This shows the arrangement of the constellations around 7 p.m. on December 1 and about an hour earlier on December 15.

This, again, was fortunate, because, in order to calculate the way a comet is moving, three separate observations of its position are needed. Here immediately he had the material for a preliminary computation, which indicated that the comet would become quite bright. When, in October, he had a longer span of observations, he recalculated the orbit, and this came out very close to the first one.

This showed that it will be closest to the earth on January 10, about 54,000,000 miles away. It will be at perihelion, nearest the sun, January 16, at a distance of 33,000,000 miles. The earth and the sun are about 92,000,000 miles apart. When discovered, the comet was nearly twice as far as the sun; no wonder it was exceedingly faint.

VERY UNSUBSTANTIAL

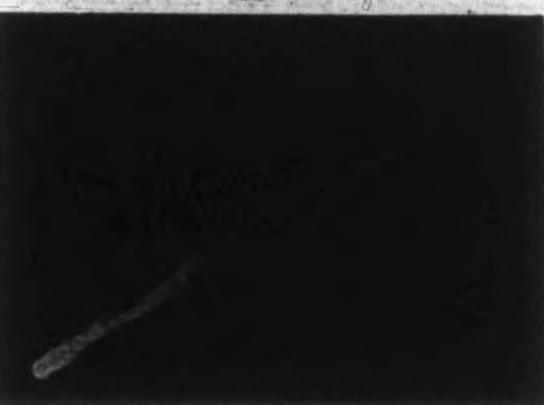
Despite the terror that comets have often aroused, they are

really very unsubstantial things. Sometimes one passes right in front of a star, but there is no eclipse. Instead, the star light shines through with undiminished brightness.

A comet has been compared with a shovelful of gravel, tossed through the air. It consists of a lot of separate particles, some, perhaps, as large as big boulders, but the distances between these pieces are large compared to their diameters. Dr. Henry Norris Russell, of Princeton, has estimated that the brightness of Halley's comet could be explained if in every cubic mile of its volume there were a dozen bodies as big as small marbles, and nothing else!

Comets have passed close to the moons of Jupiter, and have had

their paths radically changed, yet of Halley's comet, and no effect



Morehouse's Comet, shown in a Yerkes Observatory photograph, came in 1908. Not conspicuous to the naked eye, astronomers were interested in curious changes that took place in its tail as they watched through telescopes.

not the slightest effect could be detected on the moons. Compared to them, therefore, the comet's mass is insignificant.

Still, this allows for a lot of stuff. If you could bring Cunningham's comet to earth, it might weigh as much as 100,000,000 tons. Piled in one place, it might be roughly equal to the amount of rock and soil excavated in digging the Panama Canal. A comet is nothing to be afraid of, unless one should hit the earth. Small comets have doubtless hit the earth in the past, but the chance of one doing so is extremely remote.

SUNLIGHT PUSHES TAIL

As the comet comes in toward the sun some yet unknown force, perhaps resulting from an excitation by the sun's rays, drives finely divided dust, and gases, out of the head. Then another force operates. This is the actual pressure of the sun's light.

So small is this pressure that we cannot feel it. At earth's distance, the pressure of sunlight over a square yard is only a hundred thousandth of an ounce. But out in space this is enough to push on the dust and gas like wind.

That is why the comet's tail always points in the direction away from the sun. As it approaches the sun, the tail is behind. Leaving the sun, the tail is ahead; it backs away, like a commoner from an audience with royalty. Far out in space again, the force that ejects the tail material is removed, and the tail disappears.

Comets have been analyzed with the spectroscope, and in them have been found the same things as in the sun and earth. Some of the materials, like carbon monoxide and cyanogen, we classify as poisonous gases, but so exceedingly diffuse are they that there is no danger. Indeed, in 1910, we went through the tail of Halley's comet, and no effect

whatever was noticed, though astronomers carefully watched.

It seems likely that comets are actually members of the solar system, like the planets, and are not, as some have suggested, bodies that have entered the system from outside. Probably they were formed in the same way, whatever it was, as the planets themselves.

Thus, with a comet giving off some of its material each time it rounds the sun, it seems as if they cannot go on forever. Millions and millions of years ago the sky may have been much more populated with them than now; millions of years in the future they may be gone. But that time has not yet come, and we can enjoy Cunningham's comet with the feeling that it may be the herald of even finer comets that are on the way—comets to rival the greatest seen in the 19th century.

Celestial Time Table

December, 1948

Dec. P.S.T.
2 4:00 a.m. Venus passes Mars (both morning stars).
5 9:19 a.m. Algol at minimum.
6 8:01 a.m. Moon at first quarter.
7 6:08 p.m. Algol at minimum.
9 12:00 a.m. Moon farthest east; 251,700 miles away.
10 2:57 p.m. Algol at minimum.
4:33 p.m. Moon passes Jupiter.
11 9:56 a.m. Moon passes Saturn.
14 11:38 a.m. Full moon.
21 3:55 p.m. Sun farthest south, winter commences.
5:45 p.m. Moon in last quarter.
24 10:00 p.m. Moon nearest; 228,400 miles away.
24 11:03 p.m. Algol at minimum.
25 9:59 p.m. Moon passes Mars.
26 10:04 a.m. Moon passes Venus.
27 7:52 p.m. Algol at minimum.
28 12:56 p.m. New moon.
30 4:42 p.m. Algol at minimum.
31 6:00 a.m. Jupiter changes from westward to eastward motion.

Streamlined Dog Hospitals Leave Rover Nothing to Growl About



This X-ray business looks harmless enough, but I'm not so sure!

By MARGARET TURNER
IT IS NO LONGER correct to talk of a "dog's life" if you want to imply a life of loneliness, hardship, neglect and abuse. Life has changed for the dog, as dogs, pet dogs and the raising of dogs enters the field of "big business."

This point was strikingly emphasized at a bridge club the other day. One member arrived late.

"I went to the hospital to see Sally," she explained. "The doctor thinks she will have to have a Caesarean."

Followed the usual chorus of interested and sympathetic female sounds.

"Oh, poor Sally. I hope everything will be all right."

"May we see her?"



Easy there! That's my ear you're pushing light bulbs into!

In date, fully equipped hospital for human beings would have.

The cherished pet is assured of the same careful, scientific treatment that would be demanded for the most important members of the household.

Sally was not a member of the bridge club. Sally was a dog and the hospital one of the new streamlined small animal hospitals which have sprung up throughout the continent for those whose dogs are not just pets but members of the family, or perhaps valued pedigree dogs which represented a heavy investment for dog breeders.

These new streamlined dog hospitals have not only maternity wards with all facilities for performing Caesarean operations when necessary, but isolation wards, sun decks, X-ray apparatus and everything that an up-to-



date, fully equipped hospital for human beings would have.

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In addition to the wards, the reception room and the doctor's private office, there is a treatment room, an examination room, X-ray room, with a combination X-ray and fluoroscope, where provision is also made for special X-ray treatment, and a fully equipped modern surgery, with excellent lighting, both artificial and by means of skylights. Then there is the kitchen, where the food is prepared, and special diets for those cases which require them; the washroom, with its cement floor and enamel benches; and the sterilizing room, for linen used in surgery and bandages.

The procedure in the surgery follows identically the technique employed in human hospitals. The patient is prepared for the operation with sterile drapes, doctor and nurse wear sterile gowns, and the instruments used are all absolutely sterile. Incidentally, while a large number of cases have to do with comparatively simple bone fractures, much of the surgery is equally as difficult as that in any hospital.

The maternity wards, while a comparatively new feature in animal hospitals, are becoming increasingly popular with dog owners. Here the dog can be brought forth for consultation and examination during its pregnancy, as well as for the actual delivery, avoiding the anxiety and fuss of a haphazard old-fashioned "home" birth, and assuring its owners that, should any unforeseen complication occur, it will be immediately and properly taken care of. Particularly, of course, in the case of pedigree dogs, this service is of the utmost importance.

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Babies and Dancing Were Pioneer Women's Diversions, Reby Finds

By REBY MacDONALD

SOMETIMES I suspect we are getting soft.

This depressing thought usually comes to me after I've pondered over the lives of some of these pioneer women and of how many children they had and of how all, how they had them. This is the kind of thing that I mean:

A short while ago I pulled a boner, and I submit that I came out of it chastened but impressed. Mrs. Todd told me that her father-in-law had a dozen or so children (she gave me the number although at the moment I've forgotten just how many). I wrote it up and then promptly received a letter to point out that Mrs. Todd had overlooked a few; that the old man had had 17 children and not just a miserable dozen as I had said.

I hereby apologize to the hardy spirit of Mr. Todd and also to the indignant friend of the family who wrote to me. Two, he admits died as babies, three in their youth and "the balance survived."

"The boys in their order were," I'm quoting from the letter, "Jim, at Yale strikes the reader as ba-

John, Donald, Fred, Charlie, Will, Harry, Miles, Laurence, Frank and Tom. The girls were, Kate, Flora, Mary and Fannie." Evidently, the loss infants were not recorded, for there are only 15 names there. The musicians in the audience might think this nothing, after all; Bach had 20 children, but may I point out that whereas Bach had two wives, one presenting him with only seven children and the other a miserable 13, Mr. Todd had only one wife and she presented him with 17.

Then there is another of our pioneers, Mrs. Sarah Bailey, who is described as "frail as a sea shell which has been washed on a beach out of reach of the tide and to which the sun and wind have brought a transparent fragility" in "pioneer women of V.I."

Sarah was 17 when she was married and began right in producing her flock of 15 babies. Omitting other quotes in her story of "how she loved the dear little woodpeckers" and a description of "her dear little house down at San Mateo," her later life

is

ing anything but the kind likely to be led by a frail sea shell. It seems that as fast as the older children could handle a needle and thread, they were enlisted to sew on clothes for the new babies, and mother and daughters sat far into the night sewing fine seams to keep the ever-growing brood clothed.

In addition to sitting up all

night sewing and "loving the dear little woodpeckers," it seems that the delicate mother, and later her five oldest daughters would stay up all night dancing, as the town of Yale had an enormous male population and a small female one, helped out, of course, by what Mrs. Bailey was providing. So her husband stayed home with

himself

like a nurse. This baby later be-

came Mrs. Cooper of Luxton.

Then we come to Mrs. Skinner.

She made the trip around the Horn with six children and another one expected. Her husband had come out to manage a farm for the company and, like the Mackenzies, found absolutely nothing ready to receive him. They were not allowed admittance to the fort on the excuse that it was already overcrowded and while this parley took place at the fort gates, Mrs. Skinner, with her children and her servants took shelter under an oak tree and listened with sinking hearts.

"This," she sobbed, "this is what's waiting for me at the end of the trip!"

They slept on a stack of straw in the corner that night and next day took turns at sitting on the one chair which the young husband had so proudly made, then prepared for the return trip and took her back to Victoria again. The next year, '48, he brought her out once more and this time he had a really palatial house of four rooms to offer to his now delighted wife.

Margaret Thompson was 17 now and she promptly celebrated by giving birth to the first white boy born in Saanich and they proudly named him Alexander.



Pioneer mother shepherds her brood of 15 to church.

Wartime Christmas Cards Are Gay, Artistic, Patriotic

By MARIAN YOUNG

THE SMARTEST of this year's Christmas cards are intended to bring beauty rather than amusement into the homes of the recipients.

Gone are the "gag" cards of a few seasons ago. Greetings of the Season, 1940 style, are works of art, literally. Cards of famous artists' groups and the designers and illustrators, available everywhere, are done by artists such as Adolf Dehn, Rockwell Kent, Frederick Waugh and Dale Nichols.

COSTS LESS THAN YOU THINK

These artistic, but reasonably-priced cards include handsome sea and landscapes, stunning snow scenes, beautiful churches, good watercolors of cats and other household pets and some

sophisticated Santa Clauses playing polo, golf, or otherwise being very active. All are suitable for framing. My guess is that most of them will be.

Patriotic cards are more in vogue than ever. Most of them look more like May 24 than Christmas greetings, but here and there it's possible to find a nice one with the patriotic theme in harmony with the Christmas motif.

Cats, including Persian and Siamese varieties, as well as well-fed, contented-looking kittens of the common, everyday type, are the animals most widely used on Christmas cards. Graceful deer and dogs are of next importance.

RELIGIOUS THEMES

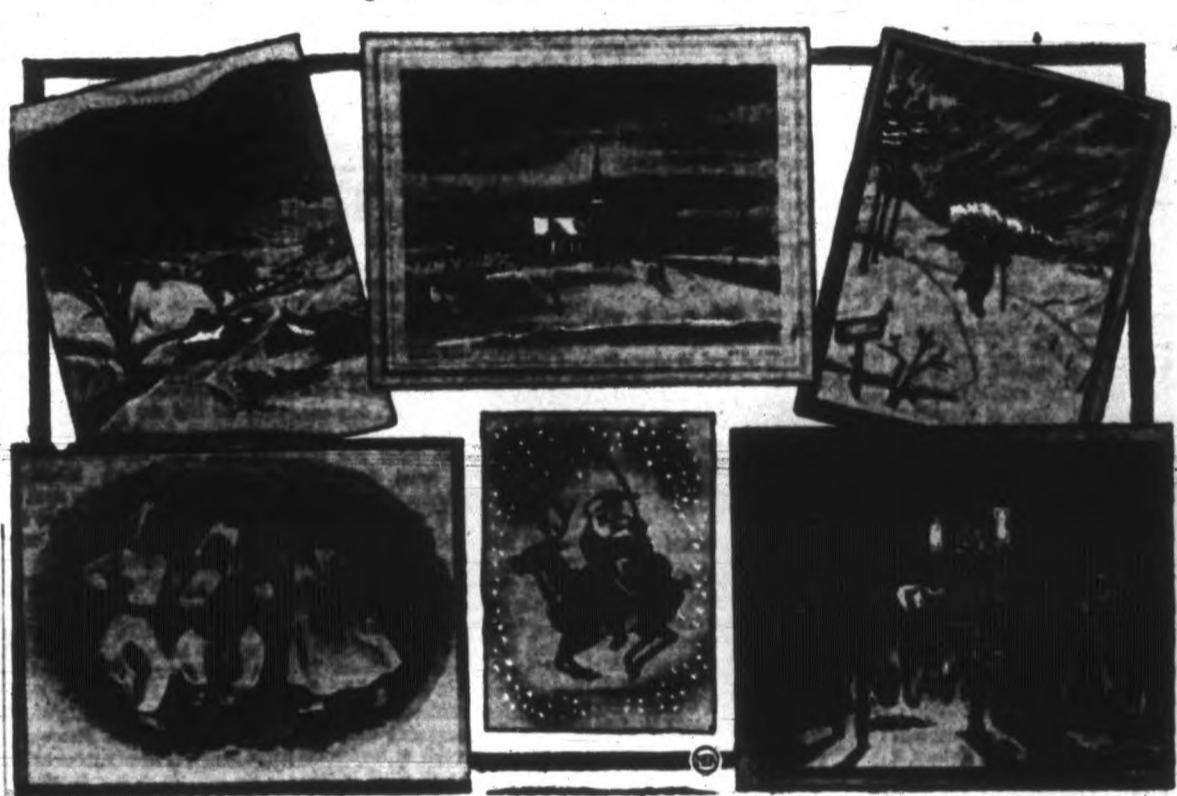
ALWAYS POPULAR

In the religious category, the

simple, white country church with lighted windows takes first place. Some religious cards have glittering gold and silver angels on dark blue and other richly-colored backgrounds. Others have greatly simplified Child and Manger scenes.

There are stunning folders and correspondence-size cards on which to write your own greeting.

A creamy-white folder with Christmas tree green border and a small green candle in a gold holder in the upper left-hand corner is typical. This is a wartime Christmas but it is still Christmas and it is part of our moral war effort to make it as gay and cheery as in former, more peaceful days.



ENJOY CHRISTMAS FOR A CHANGE

IF YOU have firmly resolved that you, the hostess, are going to look at least as well as your house and trimmings do when this year's Christmas guests arrive, don't wait another minute to figure out and write down ways to get all shopping done before December 15.

Cards ought to be addressed by the same date. And there's no law against wrapping the presents you shopped for early, getting them addressed and ready for mailing soon after the 15th. Last-minute, hurried sessions with wrapping paper and ribbons can be just as nerve-wracking as last-minute shopping tours.

ORDER GROCERIES BEFORE CHRISTMAS WEEK

Remember to place your orders with the grocer, florist and meat market a week before Christmas. Put the finishing touches on the children's costumes for the school pageant several days before they are to be worn. In other words, go through the hustle and bustle of details early instead of late. Wear yourself all out in December and then have a week of reasonable peace and quiet immediately preceding Christmas.

GIFT ENOUGH PRE-CHRISTMAS SLEEP

Get the rest of the family to try to co-operate, to get their shopping done, their cards addressed and final arrangements made for parties to be given and parties to be attended. Don't be trapped into agreeing to let the bridge club meet at your house the day before your holiday house guests are expected. Don't agree to serve on more Christmas entertainment committees than you absolutely know you will have time for.

Then plan to get enough sleep the week before Christmas, to have a new permanent wave if you need it, to spend some time getting your face and your clothes in good order. You'll find that the holidays will be 10 times as much fun as they were last year when you were so tired and harassed that you looked simply awful and felt even worse. Sat.-Women's

How to Choose Your Winter Squash



Baked acorn squash with apples and sausages.

By MRS. GAYNOR MADDOX

WINTER squash, baked to perfection, is rich in vitamin A and supplies calcium, phosphorus and iron. It is low in calories and is therefore welcome by those trying to keep down their weight and at the same time keep up their intake of vitamins and minerals.

Winter squash is divided into several branches. The Table Queen or acorn squash is one of the most widely used. Its shell is dark green, hard and ridged, and the flesh is a rich orange-yellow. Hubbard and Boston marrow squash are other popular winter varieties.

In selecting squash choose one heavy for its size and free from blemishes. The rind should be firm and smooth. If rind is soft, that means the squash may be immature and the flesh thin and watery when cooked; also lacking in flavor.

The mild tartness of apple and calorie-rich sausage combined with acorn squash can produce a delicious vegetable, fruit and meat combination at low cost.

BAKED ACORN SQUASH AND SAUSAGES

(Serves 6)

Three acorn squashes, ½ teaspoon salt, 2 tablespoons butter,

2 apples, 2 tablespoons sugar, 12 sausages.

Wash squashes; cut in half and clean. Place in two-quart glass baking dish. Sprinkle with salt and dot with butter. Pare apples; cut into thirds and core. Place one-third, rounded side up, on each squash. Sprinkle with sugar. Bake in hot oven (400 degrees F.) for 45 minutes.

Fry sausages until brown in skillet over direct heat. At end of 45-minute baking period, place two sausages at sides of apple on each squash. Return to oven and bake for 15 minutes longer.

BABY CAN'T SQUEEZE OUT OF THIS

A new sleeping garment for baby designed to keep him warm and comfortable, regardless of how he kicks and squirms, is really part jacket and part coverlet, the front of the jacket extending outward at the sides from the waistline and downward to form the coverlet. The jacket section is long-sleeved, generously cut and gusseted for ease of movement, and slide-fastened for easy accessibility; the coverlet section fastens down over the crib mattress snugly with tapes. These garments come in sweet shades of blue or pink flannelette and are decorated with amusing animal motifs.

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DOROTHY Caveman or 'Bad Boy'— Both Win a Woman's Heart

A YOUNG MAN who frankly

admits that he has never been successful in his love affairs wants to know how to win a woman. "Well, son, there are no set rules for courting. It is a matter of the inspiration of the moment, and the reason that many men fail to get the wives they desire is because they didn't have the right lunch at the right time.

They were humble when they should have been masterful. They told home truths when they should have let go all hold on veracity and lied until they were blue in the face. They popped the question in the middle of a meal when their mouths were full of mashed potatoes instead of sentiment.

No pathfinder has ever yet been able to chart out a high road to a woman's heart and put up a signboard that says "Turn to the right," or "Avoid that detour," or "Danger ahead, go slow." Every girl is different from every other girl and must be approached in a different manner. So every suitor has to adapt his technique to the occasion and use the treatment that the particular case seems to indicate, as the doctors say.

CAVEMAN STYLE

Probably the most effective general method of wooing is the caveman style. In her secret soul every woman wants some brutal lover who will be so mad for her that he will knock her down with a club and drag her by the hair of her head to his lair, if that is the only way of getting her.

Every woman wants to be swept off her feet by some man who will dominate her and

marry her in spite of herself, and who will make her believe that he will commit murder upon any other man who comes near her. That is why Clark Gable makes such a hit with the feminine sex. They are seeing on the screen what they would like to happen to them.

So, when you go courting, son, never go humbly. Never abase yourself before a woman if you want her, because no woman can ever resist the temptation to kick the man who is kneeling at her feet. It is the bold men, the strong men, the arrogant men whom women fall for.

WAITING AT THE CHURCH

If you beseech a woman to name the wedding day, she may dilly-dally about it and keep putting it off, but if you announce to her that she will marry you on next Thursday or not at all, she may say that she won't be ordered about and that she won't do it, but come Thursday she will be waiting with her wedding veil on, for you, at the church.

Curiously enough, next to battering down the door to a woman's heart and entering and taking possession, the best method of approach is by way of the confessional. If few women can resist the caveman, no more can they turn down the penitent.

There is something about a black sheep that makes them want to take him to their bosoms and make a pet of him. Perhaps it is the maternal in them that makes them want to shelter and protect a poor, weak, helpless creature who can't stand alone.

PATIENT SIEGE

Another contradiction in women that makes courting them

How You Lose at Contract

MAIER'S DISCARD SHOWS PLAY THAT MAKES CHAMPIONS

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

TODAY'S HAND is a fine ex-

ample of the neat play that

makes M. D. (Jimmie) Maier of

New York an international bridge champion. Maier is a member

of The Four Aces, and one of

the most popular bridge players in

the country, with a personality so

pleasing that even if you lose

to him, you don't seem to mind it.

Jimmie has long been recog-

nized as one of the greatest card

players in the world.

Maier sat West. On the open-

ing spade lead he played the

eight-spot from dummy, killing

South's jack with his ace. He led

a small diamond, North won with

the ace and led another spade,

which Maier won with the king.

A spade was won in dummy

and the king of hearts played. When South played low, Maier discarded the four of clubs. You can see now that regardless of what North returned, Maier could lose only a club, a diamond and a heart.

It is always like working out a cross-

word puzzle is that while they

prefer to be won in a whirlwind

courtship, they seldom resist a

patient siege. Therefore, a man

is foolish who gets discouraged

when a girl refuses him the first

half dozen times he asks her to

be his.

Also, without her noticing it,

he will drive other suitors away

and finally become her lone last

chance. Millions of men wear

out women's sales resistance by

their persistence and marry girls

who swore that they would never

marry them, and live happily ever after.

Of course, all girls like to be

fattered and told how beautiful

and wonderful they are and lend

a willing ear to the man who is

a glib love-maker.

Also, they fall for the roman-

tic. But if you feel

Air Conditioning Used In Poultry Houses

By CERES

Returning recently from the Fraser Valley, where he had been assisting the department's staff, under G. L. Landon, in blood testing poultry flocks for Pullorum disease (formerly known as bacillary white diarrhoea), J. R. Terry, B.C. poultry commissioner, reported that despite the unusual cold weather experienced in the last three weeks, the flocks generally were producing a fair average of eggs.

While in the Valley Mr. Terry visited the three big hatcheries where approximately 1,000,000 chicks were hatched this year. The majority of these were sold to the prairies. The principal breeds, Barred Rocks, New Hampshires, Rhode Island Reds, Light Sussex and Jersey Giants are favored there. Some of the establishments have investments of more than \$50,000.

Illustrating the great growth in the population of the Fraser Valley Mr. Terry recalled that 30 years ago, there were no houses at Langley Prairie, there being only a tram station. Now there is a flourishing settlement as large as Duncan, with a big territory surrounding.

While most of the flocks blood tested were those of breeders who were under contract to the hatcheries, there were quite a few private breeders working under the plan.

Extensive use is made of electric lighting by most of the breeders.

ers as well as power for water pumping, wood cutting, etc. One poultryman, formerly a naval engineer, has an electric dropings board cleaner. This runs on a track through the pens, and by plugging into a light socket, the machine is operated. The hopper attached to the machine holds about a ton.

Although very ingenious and workable, Mr. Terry thought the cost and upkeep would not justify the general use by breeders. Quite a few of the breeders belong to co-operative stores, although the latter do not handle eggs or meat.

Peat moss for pen litter is largely used, and this is still produced in the valley in large quantities. Before production here, all the litter was imported from Germany. The local peat is of superior quality and also cheaper.

One large breeder has installed a steam-heated plant for his hen houses with air conditioning, and the experiment is watched with interest. If successful it is predicted there will be many more hen houses air conditioned shortly.

Most of the places visited were commercial poultry establishments, but there were many people keeping several hundred fowls on the dairy and fruit farms in the valley. Doubts were expressed as to what will happen if feed costs increase, but most of the breeders admit they had received a reasonable labor income for their work.

Many Hardy Annuals May Now Be Planted

Every time that nature produces annual flowers in our gardens from self-sown seed, she demonstrates that annuals can be grown from seed sown in the fall.

The list of annuals which can self-seed may vary in different sections of the country, but it is probable that annual larkspur and cornflowers (*centaurea cyanus*) will be on the list almost anywhere.

These and other subjects may be grown from seed sown in the fall, and many authorities advise that larkspurs be so grown wherever possible. Plants from fall sowing get started much earlier in the spring, and they flower almost as soon as indoor plants, besides being much larger and more vigorous.

The list of subjects may safely include all annuals which usually self-sow in your neighborhood, and any other varieties which are hardy, and have small, hard seeds, with which you are willing to take a chance for the sake of earlier plants. Large, soft seeds, even of hardy varieties, may decay in the wet ground, but the hard seeds will be safe if protected from being washed out of the soil by rains or injury in some other way.

Nature is always lavish, and much of the seed she sows, no doubt, is lost. With purchased seed one will probably wish to be more careful.

A seed bed surrounded by a wooden curb is an excellent place to sow fall annuals. A cold frame will do as well, and many sow seeds in the open garden, where experience has shown drainage is good. If seeds are sown in rows, which can be marked, it is easy to check results and protect the seedlings when they appear.

Sow the seed thinly, mixing small seed with dry sand to help scatter it, and do not sow much deeper than you would in the spring. Many gardeners cover the row with a shallow layer of sand after sowing. In a seed bed, or cold frame, after the ground has frozen a light mulch of leaves may be placed over the bed to keep the frost in. This



SHIRLEY POPPIES, BACHELOR BUTTONS AND LARKSPUR MAKE HAND-SOME BOUQUETS OF ANNUALS.

NORTH AMERICAN GUERNSEY CATTLE IMPORTANT NOW

None of the outstanding Guernsey herds from the Island of Guernsey were evacuated to England before the Nazi invasion, according to a letter recently received by Karl B. Musser, secretary-treasurer of the American Guernsey Cattle Club, from Robert F. Ling, secretary of the English Guernsey Cattle Society.

Mr. Ling said in his letter to Mr. Musser: "It is a matter of deep regret to us all that none of the cattle were evacuated to this country. We did have some half dozen animals arrive here well before any idea of invasion was mooted, and these sold at Reading on July 17.... This then represented the last consignment from Guernsey and the remainder of the island stock was never rescued."

WELFARE UNKNOWN

This disproves numerous rumors that all the best herds were removed from the island before it fell into German hands. Those breeders on the island who had an opportunity to go to England refused to leave their herds and since the island was taken over it has been impossible to obtain any news from Guernsey as to the welfare of the breed and the breeders.

From some of the best-known blood lines in Ontario, Manitoba and Saskatchewan, Mr. Beer selected his foundation stock.

Mr. Beer has been connected with the poultry business practically all his life and for the last eight years was Dominion government R.O.P. inspector for Manitoba, with headquarters at Winnipeg.

British Lands

Of the land area of Great Britain, 21,268,000 acres are used for grazing, 8,250,000 acres are arable land, and 1,950,000 acres are forest lands.

Successful and Happy on B.C.'s Fertile Lands



Mennonite family J. Thiessen at Cheslatta.

By J.K.N.

British Columbia's new settlers—Mennonites, Dutch, Swiss and Sudeten German—are doing well on the land in the interior of the province, according to reports brought to Victoria by several up-country members of the Legislature.

They have worked hard this past season, their crops have been satisfactory, they are optimistic about the future and, above all, they are more than overjoyed to be away from warring Europe, where so many of their friends and relatives are facing a bleak winter.

It has not been easy for them, these first few years in a new land. But they have settled down amazingly well, they have learned English, they have done their best to be friendly and neighborly with the English-speaking farmers on adjoining lands. They have sent their children to Canadian schools, they have pledged their support to Canada's war effort.

PLANS FOR INFUX

The Legislature's land settlement committee is making plans for a great influx of settlers after the war. They feel the bulk of these settlers should be hand-picked British, but they are not against settlers of other nationalities, provided they also are selected with utmost care, almost to the point of snobishness.

Why is not Vancouver Island represented on this committee? None of the island members, apparently, are doing anything.

SWISS FAMILIES

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The newly-built house of Dutchman G. Baggerman at Houston—it cost \$450.



Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Unrah and R. E. White in their grainfield at Cheslatta. Right, Conrad Tugnum at Smithers with his prize colt.

By J.K.N.

about the settlers that are bound to come. This island is to contribute a great deal to the future of Canadian agriculture, for it is here that flower seeds and bulbs will grow, one of the few places in the entire country.

Members of the committee are Mark Connolly, chairman, Omineca; Louis LeBourdais, honorary secretary, Cariboo; E. T. Kenney, Skeena; George Murray, Lillooet; H. G. T. Perry, Fort George; Thomas King, Columbia, and Glen Braden, Peace River.

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motor cars. They have put up a co-operative creamery at Telkwa.

The Mennonites came in during May and June this year and settled in the Cheslatta Lake country, 50 miles south of Burns Lake and the railway. The land was poor, but by June 7 they had 60 acres ploughed and they have raised fine crops.

There are 25 families in this group—200 persons in all, and they are second and third generation Canadians. They came from southern Saskatchewan with 40 carloads of household effects and farm equipment and so well have they settled the land that other districts are asking for Mennonites.

The Sudeten Germans, in the Peace River country, form the largest group. There are 3,000 there and they have completed the summer's work satisfactorily.

SAANICH CATTLE WITH PUREBREDS AT KAMLOOPS

Cattlemen from many parts of British Columbia are converging this weekend on Kamloops for the annual Christmas Fat Stock Show and Sale, which will open tomorrow and continue until Thursday evening.

Southern Vancouver Island is represented by Jim Turner, who has seven or eight head of Shorthorns from his Saanich ranch with him. He left for the interior city on Wednesday with his son Jim and daughter Olive, who always give invaluable assistance to their dad at every livestock show.

Hon. Dr. K. C. Macdonald, Minister of Agriculture, and Dr. Wallace R. Gunn, provincial livestock commissioner, are others from Victoria at the show and sale. G. A. Luyat, district agriculturist at Kamloops, reports there will be 300 prime market cattle, 1,000 fine market lambs and 250 of the best bacon hogs.

CALL FOR BIDS

Auctioneer Mat. Hassen will call for bids at the basic price (that day's market price on bacon hogs 135 to 175 pounds, dressed). The bidding will go on from there. The price at which the hog is knocked down will be its basic price.

If it should be a premium hog, one weighing from 140 to 170 pounds, dressed, and of the proper type, the premium will be paid by the buyer. If it be in one of the lesser categories, a deduction ranging from 50 cents up per head will be made. In the final analysis, the producer will get the basic price, plus the premium of competitive bidding, plus the premium due because of classification or less the deduction because of failure to meet the standards set by rail-grading.

Roy C. Trimble of Vancouver, grading inspector, Dominion Department of Agriculture, will give a demonstration of rail-grading during the stockmen's meeting in the Plaza Hotel Monday evening.

PROGRAM

The program of the show and sale calls for weighing of the cattle on Sunday forenoon, and a judging competition—beef, lambs and swine—between 3 and 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

On Monday J. A. (Jack) Byers, western supervisor, Dominion Department of Agriculture production service, will judge the beef cattle; P. H. Moore, superintendent of Colony Farm, Esquimalt, will judge the swine, and William MacGillivray, district agriculturist at Salmon Arm, will judge the sheep. During the day there will also be junior showmanship competitions in beef and lambs. On Monday evening there will be a stockmen's meeting in the Plaza Hotel.

On Tuesday, Auctioneer Hassen will sell the livestock, beginning with beef at 9.30, lambs at 2 and swine at 3.30. At 6 the stockmen will be guests of honor at a banquet arranged by Kamloops Junior Chamber of Commerce, and at 9.30 at the annual firemen's ball.

Framework of Fruit Trees

By E. R. HALL

For one reason or another the fruitgrower frequently finds it desirable to work over a fully-grown tree to some other variety. The removal and replanting of a tree is a costly process and should not be done unless the tree is very old and diseased.

The usual method in top-working has been to cut back branches to within a short distance of the main stem and insert scions in only the ends of cut-back branches. When this method is followed, extremely vigorous new growth results owing to the preponderance of the roots and little fruit-producing wood will be forthcoming for some years. As much as 20 years, according to variety, may be required before the tree returns to profitable cropping.

How may a tree be worked over to a new variety with the least loss of cropping life? The answer would seem to be by frame-working as developed first in Tasmania. This system of bark grafting was applied to a Dr. Jules Guyot pear tree at the Experimental Station, Saanichton, on March 30, 1939. The tree selected had been planted in 1914. All lateral shoots and spurs were first removed leaving only the bare framework of the tree with individual branches being cut off after narrowing down to about a half an inch in diameter.

END OF MARCH

Bark grafting must be done when the bark lifts freely. Usually, with pears, this will be toward the end of March. Long scions are used having from seven to nine buds each. These are placed about eight inches apart and arranged around the branch conforming closely to the original arrangement of internodes and spurs. By the use of these long scions, vigorous growth is reduced or only occurs from the upper buds, the lower buds forming

only one season of the cropping life of the tree has been completely lost in the operation.

In frame-working a large tree between 200 and 300 scions may be used. Reasonable care must be exercised in the preparation and fitting of scions if weak unions are to be avoided.

The time required in frame-working is possibly the only disadvantage this method has when compared with top-working. However, this factor is more than compensated for by the quick return of the tree to normal cropping.

Canada Farm Products Show Large Increase

The value of total exports of Canadian produce for the first nine months of 1940 amounted to \$860,000,000 as compared with \$636,000,000 for the corresponding period of 1939, a gain of over 35 per cent.

Exports of agricultural products amounted to \$285,000,000 compared with \$218,000,000 in the corresponding nine months of 1939, a gain of approximately 31 per cent, says the latest issue of the Current Review of Agricultural Conditions in Canada.

Exports of Canadian farm products in August and September, 1940, were above those of the corresponding months of 1939. While exports of grains, fruits and vegetables in September, 1940, were \$5,000,000 less than in September, 1939, this decline was more than made up by a gain of nearly \$7,000,000 in exports of animal and mineral products.

LOST MARKETS

Increased exports of bacon and ham, cheese and eggs, are chiefly responsible for the gain in total value of farm products. Declines in vegetables and grains are the result of the loss of European

markets, and exports for the remainder of these products are likely to be less than in the latter part of 1939.

Markets for Canadian farm products in the United Kingdom depend upon the policy laid down by the British government and this policy is continually subject to change as military and political events affect the position of the United Kingdom. A wide variety and range of factors must be taken into consideration, including the availability of foreign exchange, the availability of shipping and the most effective use made of cargo space, the necessity of countering enemy propaganda and enemy activities in other countries, the maintenance of an adequate diet, the availability and use of storage facilities in the United Kingdom as well as in other parts of the world, weather conditions, the effects of enemy air action and so on.

On the basis of present information, it would seem that for those farm products on which no definite agreements have been made, little increase can be expected in export demand from the United Kingdom in the near future.

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The Substitute Who Was a Favorite With His Class

THIS is the season for bad colds and that means many children are absent from school. Teachers also get colds and have to stay home and take medicine. That means that substitutes appear in many classrooms.

Substitutes are usually not the most popular people in the world and I think some children try to make life as miserable as possible for them.

This week, however, we had a substitute who really gave us a thrill. He was a man and a big one. We just looked like midgets alongside him. He was pleasant, too, and told us stories after we got through our lessons.

"I know what most boys and girls, particularly the boys, think about when a substitute appears," said our substitute. "They just want to raise all the rumpus they can and be a nuisance. I'll never forget the time I went to teach school in the mountains of British Columbia. There were some big boys in that school and they weren't afraid of my size. I suppose they wanted to see how far they could go. One big boy came in and sat in a seat with a girl and pushed her off the seat onto the floor. I guess most of you know how that is done, but it's not a very nice trick. I walked to the back of the room and came up by the boy's seat. I took him by his braces and lifted him. It's a wonder his braces didn't break. He was a very surprised boy and I never had another minute's trouble with him."

"As a matter of fact we became great friends. He taught me how to snare wild rabbits. We would set a box up on end with a stick acting as a prop and then put some food inside. The rabbit would knock down the prop and the box would fall on top of him. We went shooting pheasant and then one day we were told that a big black bear was causing a lot of concern, killing dogs and other small animals. Among my students was a husky young boy who was a refugee from Sudetenland. He could speak very little English and it was quite hard for him to learn his lessons. When he heard about the bear he got a gun and went out and shot it."

"Come now we must get along with our science," our substitute said.

IT ISN'T HARD to study with a teacher like that so we hustled through and then we heard the story of the elk that ate itself to death.

"Near where I lived the men cut ties for the railway," said our substitute. "There were horses that hauled the ties down to the railway tracks and a big elk used to stay near the barns to see if he could get a little extra food. It was strange though, the minute the hunting season came in the elk would start for the mountains and stay away until the season closed. Then he would come back and join the horses around the barn. It was strange how he knew. One day the elk got into the barn and started eating oats and other grain that he found. He just stuffed himself like a lot of small boys do when they get around the table at Christmas. But the poor elk couldn't handle his food like a boy and he just dropped dead."

"Then one day we were going up the mountain looking for goats and winter was coming on. Ahead, we saw a little greyish pup and wondered what it was doing up there. It turned out to be a baby coyote, whose coat was turning white. You know many animals' fur changes color with the season so as to make it harder for its enemies to find. The coyote's fur is white like snow in winter and a tan in the summer to blend with the coloring of the landscape. This coyote wasn't very big and he couldn't run very fast but he was awfully hard to catch. I never saw anything dodge like it could."

"Perhaps we will get along with some composition now," said our substitute and we did our work very well and he was pleased with us.

ON THE COAST here we miss a great deal of sport in the winter time," our substitute said later. "It is nice to have the mild weather but there is something bracing about the clear, bright, crisp air of the mountains. My school friends taught me a great deal that winter, how

Make Gifts for Air Raid Children



FOR some-time Frances Rowbottom of 1684 Elgin Road, belonged to a Junior Auxiliary and did her bit sewing and knitting. One day she thought:

"Why can't I form a sewing club of my own and work for the younger air raid victims?"

She spoke to several girl friends and they agreed to meet once a week at Frances's home and to plan a program of work for the winter.

In the above picture Frances

is shown with three of her friends at their sewing session last Thursday. From left to right they are as follows: Nane Humphreys, 12; Frances, 11; Rhoda Mowat, 14, and Mary Humphreys, 17. The fifth girl, Yvonne Davidson, 12, was sick and was not able to attend.

This busy sewing circle has sent its first parcel of gifts to the air raid victims. Sleeping bags, night dresses, bonnets, sweater sets, mittens, dresses,

underwear and dressed dolls were included in the parcel. Now the girls are busy getting articles made for their second parcel.

Frances's mother buys the material for most of the dresses and cuts them out. The girls do what sewing they can at their afternoon session, have tea and then take their work home and complete it.

The dolls shown in the above picture were donated by Mrs. R. Eaton and dressed by the girls.

A Way Out

A little boy had been very rude to his mother, and had been sent to his bedroom as a punishment. After a time his father went to see what he was doing, and found him writing a letter.

"Is that a letter to Mummy saying you're sorry?" said the culprit's father.

"If you must know..." was the reply. "I'm writing to the bishop to get a divorce from both of you."

Fourteen years ago the club

The Bottle Club

Have you heard of the International Bottle Club? Its members are scattered all over the world and declare they have

launched the first truly international hobby, by the "free" exchange of correspondence carried in bottles by wind, waves and ocean currents.

One bottle, picked up near San Francisco, was launched again with an added message, retrieved at Lima, retrieved again at Montevideo and finally dashed itself ashore at Charleston, having completed a circuit of South America.

Already the International Bottle Club has furnished valuable data to scientists concerning world wind drifts and ocean currents. Bottles deliberately launched by Polar expeditions to Antarctica, for instance, always take a year to reach South America, giving a good idea of the ocean's speed. South Sea bottles invariably travel toward Canada, and the Gulf Stream has been proved faster than surrounding waters.

A British prisoner of war in Germany eluded his guards for a few seconds, and slipped a bottle into the Rhine. It contained a message to his loved ones, addressed to the British Consul wherever it should land.

Along it bobbed, bound for Blighty. The bottle traveled via Kiel to Russia, and two months later the news reached England. On the shores of the Gulf of Finland a peasant had picked it up and, in puzzlement, had taken it to the local police station. Thence its message travelled through three state departments to the British Consulate in Leningrad—and through to a worried little woman in the Midlands, who heard with joy the tidings that her son was safe.

Not long ago an Austrian writer longed to tell the outside world the burning truth about the horrors suffered by his country under Nazi rule. One moonless night, with a covering message in three languages, his despatch was slipped in a bottle thrown into the Danube. The waves fulfilled their work well, for the message was found, published in a Turkish newspaper, and quoted all over the world.—Tit-Bits.

Wanted It Delivered

A small boy out with his mother was given a sixpence to put in the collecting box to help buy a Spitfire.

The mother walked on, but missed the boy. Looking back, she noticed he was still standing by the man with the box.

"Come along, hurry up," she called.

"Not yet," said the boy. "I haven't got my Spitfire yet."

Uncle Ray

Dams Give Power Supply

INDIANS knew about Niagara Falls long before white men reached the area between Lake Erie and Lake Ontario. In the Iroquois tribe, the falls were called by a name meaning "Thundering Water."

The noise of Niagara Falls well may be compared to thunder. There are many other falls, some of them higher than Niagara, but nowhere else on this continent is so much sound made by water tumbling over a natural cliff.

Some of the Indians thought the white men who sailed to their land were "visitors from heaven." They learned later that this was not the case.

Yet the whites were destined to prove their skill in a certain kind of "magic." They were to find ways to obtain power from falling water. They were to place giant wheels below Niagara Falls, and these wheels were to play a part in making electricity.

In the same way, dozens of other waterfalls have been put to work. The fast-turning wheels make it possible to capture electric power, and the electricity is used to light homes and move the wheels of factories.

Not content with waterfalls supplied by nature, men have built dams to make new waterfalls.

Some of these produce more water power than Niagara Falls.

A strong wall can be set up in the bed of a river. It makes a dam which holds back the river water up to a certain height.

A high dam brings about a big



fall of water. This water has enough force to turn a turbine, and electric power is produced. Boulder Dam is one of the most famous in the world. It stretches across the Black Canyon of the Colorado River. At this place the river forms a border between the states of Arizona and Nevada.

Besides Boulder Dam, the United States has a number of other important dams, and so does Canada. They not only supply low-cost electricity but also give water to large stretches of farm land. In some sections, deserts have been made to bloom with the help of irrigation systems leading out from dammed-up rivers.

The famous River Shannon in Ireland has been dammed. Thanks to this dam, which has a height of 100 feet, the Irish now have about 200,000 electric horsepower which they did not possess before.

Geese and Swans Provided Quill Pens

BEFORE this I have spoken of ancient people who wrote with pen and ink, and I have told something about the way early ink was made with water, soot and a sticky juice.

Now comes the question, "What pens were used?"

The earliest pens are believed to have been made from reeds. One end of a reed was cut to a point, and when the point was dipped in ink, it served fairly well as a pen.

The ancient Greeks and Romans used the "stylus" as a kind of pen. With it letters were cut on a surface covered with wax. A bronze pen is one of the relics found amid the ruins of Pompeii, the city which was buried in ashes 1,861 years ago.

Quill pens are known to date back at least 1,300 years. They were made from feathers taken from large birds.

The old quill pen did not go out of fashion as soon as steel pen points were placed on the market. For more than half a century after that, quills played a part in writing. The grandparents of some readers of this column may be able to tell of the time when quill pens were common.

TODAY millions of steel pen points are turned out each month. The average yearly output has been estimated at 1,500,000,000.

At some future time, I plan to tell the story of the fountain pen. A good fountain pen is far better for writing a letter than a "dip pen."

The Red Fox

We rode up the river trail, The trees were all aglow, We rode up the river trail When the sun was low.

The purple mountains looked not far,

The near fields held the light, We rode up the river trail When all the land was bright.

So bright it was that when we saw

A red fox on the trail, His coat was vivid as a flame, His tail a comet's tail.

He moved across the river trail Unaframed and slow,

He was descended from the sun, He was the sun's hot glow.

He stepped into a tangled growth Beside the river's shore, The shadows took him then and he

Was like a fire no more.

—Judy Van Der Veer.

Color-Blind

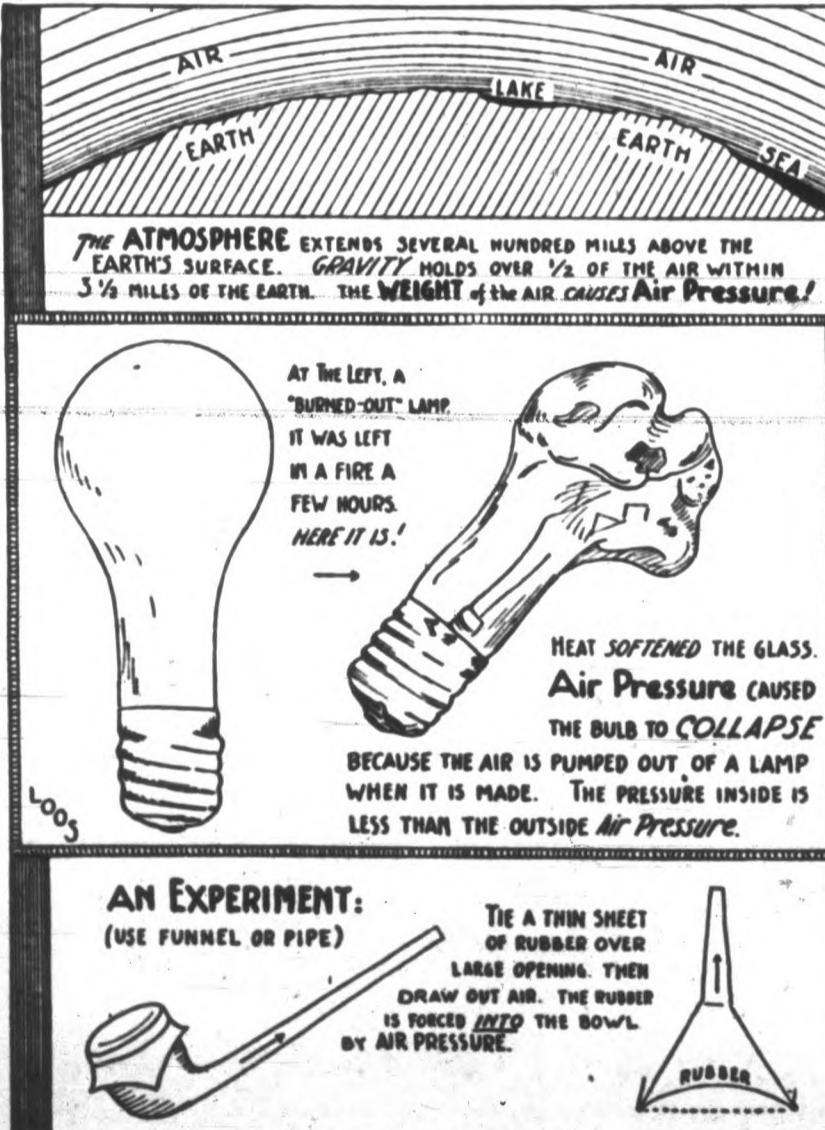
ONE person out of every 55 is color-blind and cannot tell red from green, and one in 50 confuses green and brown. Very rare are the totally color-blind to whom the world appears like a photograph in black and white. The pastel-shade color-blind, much more prevalent among men than women, cannot distinguish between the lighter shades of pink and yellow and blue and green.

Color-blindness is sometimes called "Daltonism" because, although it was known for centuries, the first to study the subject was John Dalton, the famous chemist, who in 1794 published an account of his own and analyzed its peculiarities. For days he went about in his scarlet gown of a Doctor of Civil Laws at Oxford happily unconscious of its effect on those around him. And when asked what color gown he thought he was wearing, he pointed to an evergreen.

Color-blindness is a defect which disqualifies applicants for a variety of jobs such as engine drivers and taxi drivers, but it may prove of use in war.

Color-blind airmen have proved they can detect camouflaged guns that normal eyes cannot see. It may be that a type of camouflage designed to deceive the color-blind will have to be used to hide guns, ammunition depots, hangars and other strategic material from them.

Weight of Atmosphere Causes Air Pressure



Today our artist gives diagrams to illustrate several facts of science which have to do with air pressure. At the top we have a suggestion of the surface of the earth and the air above it. Air is made up of gases, chiefly nitrogen and oxygen. At sea level a cubic foot of air weighs a little more than one ounce. At higher levels, air becomes lighter and lighter. The weight of the air causes pressure. At sea level this pressure amounts to about 14 pounds and 11 ounces. The pressure of air is all-around us. There is pressure even inside a person; if that were not so, the outside pressure would tend to crush him. Air pressure is less on the top of a mountain. That is why water boils at a lower temperature there than at sea level. Air is pumped out of light bulbs to keep the thin wire, or filament, inside them from being burned out. It is a common practice these days for a "dead gas" to be put into the bulbs to take the place of the air.

If You Please

A woman was introduced to Anton Rubinstein, the Russian pianist, and exclaimed: "Oh, Mr. Rubinstein, I am so glad to meet you! All the seats are sold and I have tried in vain to get a seat for your recital. Haven't you a seat you could let me take?"

The mother walked on, but missed the boy. Looking back, she noticed he was still standing by the man with the box. "Come along, hurry up," she called. "Not yet," said the boy. "I haven't got my Spitfire yet."

Canada's Sea-going Soldiers Defend Newfoundland's Icy Shores



A rough and rocky coastline alone won't protect Newfoundland from invasion, but it's winter now in Newfoundland but here's evidence that regimental smartness doesn't suffer when the thermometer makes it tough for invaders and defenders alike to land. Here Canadian soldiers are dips. The scene is the changing of the guard, with the old guard presenting arms to the new. Some mornings the boys towed ashore by small Royal Canadian Navy power launch after being ferried for duty to have to shovel their way out of the snow-covered buildings, but the bunks are warm. They say the winters aren't colder than in Canada—they're only longer.



A MAN AND HIS DOG—Sharing with his master the hardships of war, this puppy journeyed to Newfoundland when Canadian troops were transported to the historic colony.



LAND SNIPERS—Gunnery class at Petawawa training camp prepares a field gun for firing on artillery range.



FUTURE GUARDIANS OF SEA—Prospective gunners for the Royal Canadian Navy are receiving intensive schooling in gunnery at an east coast naval school. Recruits drill, top left, on ship's anti-aircraft gun, while prospective gunners, top right, receive instructions on various gun parts. Learning how to handle a Vickers machine gun are the students, bottom left, while gunnery officers listen with interest, bottom right, as a petty officer instructs them in the use of anti-aircraft guns.



AROUND THE CLOCK AT TRAINING SCHOOL—Future Royal Canadian Air Force pilots put in busy days at the 26 elementary flying training schools of the British Commonwealth air training plan. These schools are the first stage of actual flying training. The day begins the moment the sun comes over the horizon. Roused from warm "doubledecker" beds in barracks, student pilots are given time to shave, dress, sit down to bacon and eggs. Then comes inspection. The primary training planes are wheeled out to the flight line, then with parachutes dangling behind, students and instructors waddle out to the machines assigned to them. A last few words of instruction from flying instructor and student is soaring into the blue, watched by other students waiting their turn to fly. There is some drill, not a little of "skill practice" in the ground instruction school, but there is time before the day's end for a stroll with the girl friend and a soda or two before lights out.

R.A.F. HEROES HERE—Young English airman, left, has a submarine, two Messerschmitts to his credit, holds the Distinguished Flying Cross. The next was downed twice in four days in France while strafing German troops. He won the Distinguished Flying Medal. Dark-haired youth, centre, is officially credited with destroying the double aqueduct over the vital Dortmund-Ems canal. Next is a Canadian Fit-Lieut. O. R. Donaldson of Revelstoke, B.C. D.F.C. ribbons can be seen under wings of each flier. All are stationed at Port Albert, Ontario.



THE LONG, LONG TRAIL—Driving wide concrete roads through virgin soil is a heavy job, and the arrival of a mobile canteen, with hot tea, food, cigarettes makes a welcome break. The men pictured here belong to the Canadian Road-making Unit in England. They are all expert concrete and construction workers who left good jobs in Canada to do their bit. Here they line up for tea from a mobile canteen.